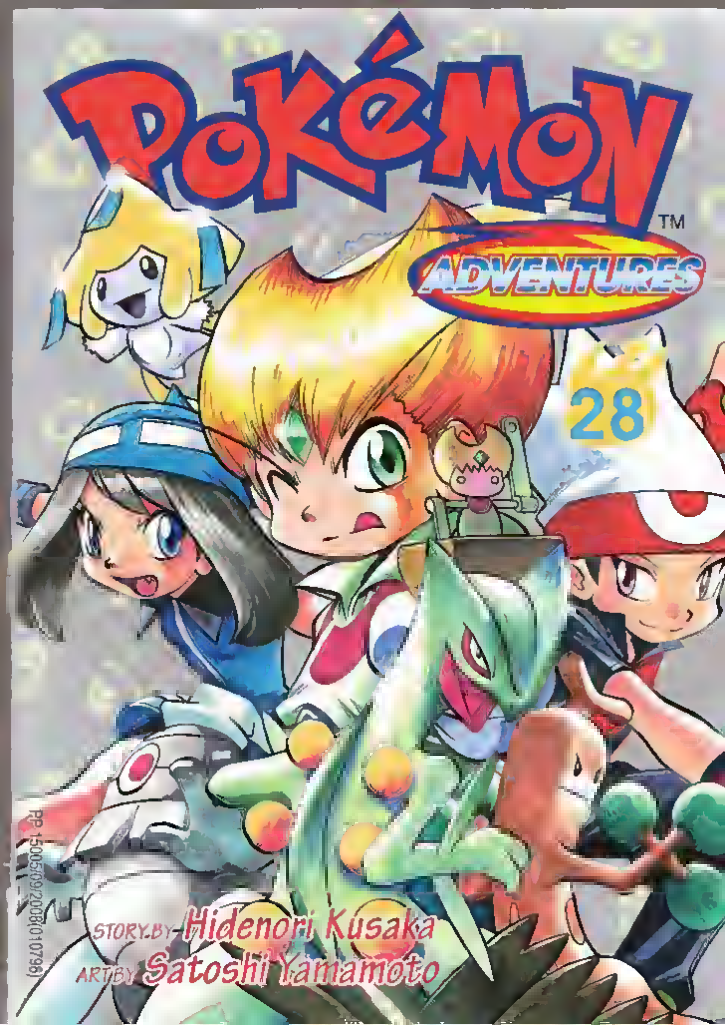
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With the sudden appearance of Guile Hideout, Emerald's mission to capture the legendary Jirachi becomes more intense! Ruby and Sapphire have also arrived at the Frontier to assist him, but will he be too proud to accept their help? With Emerald busy taking on the Battle Dome next, the enemy executes his ultimate plan from the shadows of the Frontier! Can Emerald and the Frontier Brains stop him in time before he captures Jirachi for his evil plans? Who exactly is Guile, and what wish does he want Jirachi to grant him? The conclusive battle for Wish Pokémon Jirachi has only just begun!

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POCKET MONSTERS SPECIAL OBJECT

THE POKÉDEX OWNERS AND THEIR ADVENTURES

KAHTO REGION

THE FIRST CHAPTER

Red, a young Pokémon trainer from Pallet Town, sets off on a quest to become the strongest trainer, after receiving the Pokédex from Professor Oak. Along the way, he battles Blue - who has the same objective in mind - meets up with Green, and finally defeats Team Rocket before winning the Pokémon League.

THE SECOND CHAPTER

Two years have passed. Red has suddenly disappeared and a mysterious trainer, called Yellow, appears. While searching for Red, Yellow runs into Kanto's Elite Four, led by Lance. The four Pokémon masters have a horrifying plan in mind and Yellow has to stop them.

PROFESSOR OAK

JOHTO REGION

HOENN REGION

After a climactic battle on Cerise Island, Yellow manages to defeat Lance, and shatter the ambition of the Elite Four.

THE THIRD CHAPTER

Yet another year has passed, and the story shifts to the Johto Region. In pursuit of Silver who stole Totodile from Elm Research Center, Gold heads to New Bark Town. Due to a twist of fate, they have to battle side by side, even though they can't stand each other. Crystal joins in the fray, after being entrusted with the mission to complete the Pokédex. The trio battle a mysterious masked man who has revived Team Rocket, eventually ruining his scheme.

THE FOURTH CHAPTER

Ruby, a boy passionate about Pokémon Contests, runs away from home right after moving to Littleroot Town. He encounters Sapphire in the wild and makes a bet with her...

PROFESSOR ELM

PROFESSOR BIRCH

POCKET MONSTERS SPECIAL 0

KANTO REGION

NOENN REGION

Ruby is to win all the Pokémon Contests within 80 days, and Sapphire must win all Gym battles in the same time frame. Meanwhile, Team Aqua and Team Magma set their destructive plans into motion. As a result, the ancient Pokémon Groudon and Kyogre wreak havoc and devastation on the Hoenn Region. The two Pokémon finally return to their eternal slumber after Ruby and Sapphire make a valient attempt to stop them.

THE FIFTH CHAPTER

Another half a year has come and gone. Red and his friends set off on a new adventure on the Sevii Islands. When Deoxys, the space Pokémon falls into the hands of Giovanni, Red teams up with Mewtwo in order to stop them. They emerge triumphant after a fierce struggle but the battleship they are on goes out of control. After Red and company manage to land the ship safely, Sins of the Three Beasts appears. Determined to deal them a final blow she fires a beam of light at them, and this causes startling changes to the five Pokédex owners, Red, Blue, Green, Yellow and Silver!

THE SIXTH CHAPTER

A few months later the "Battle Frontier" facility is completed. Emerald gatecrashes the Press Conference during the opening ceremony and announces to the media that he will conquer the Battle Frontier. In order to do that, he must defeat the seven Frontier Brains within seven days. After defeating Noland, Lucy and Brandon, Emerald reveals that he is actually at the Battle Frontier to capture Jirachi, the legendary Pokémon with the ability to grants any wish! All is not going well, however for the mysterious Guile is also after the Pokémon! Can Emerald capture Jirachi before Guile and conquer the Battle Frontier at the same time...?!

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VS. SHEDINJA II

POCKET MONSTER SPECIAL THE SIXTH CHAPTER EMERALD

SMASH
"SOLAR-BEAM!!!"
TUMBLE
...I'VE LOST
WHA... WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
LOOK AGAIN, EMERALD!"
SUDO-WOODO?
...SUDO-WOODO'S STILL HANGING IN THERE!!
STRUGGLE
SUDOWOODO'S TRYING HARD NOT TO LOSE FOR YOU! HOW COULD YOU EVEN THINK OF GIVING UP!?"
IT'LL BE ASSESSMENT TIME AFTER THESE THREE TURNS! YOU STILL STAND A CHANCE OF WINNING!!
THINK ABOUT SCEPTILE AND DUSCLOPS! THEY FOUGHT SO HARD FOR YOU JUST NOW BECAUSE THEY ADORED YOU AND WANTED TO PROTECT YOU!!
IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN THEM, WHO WILL?!
DO...
DON'T GIVE UP!!!
DON'T GIVE UP, SUDO-WOODO!!!

SWALLE
PWEET!!
RUMBLE
IT...
IT WITHSTOOD THE ATTACK! SUDOWOODO'S STILL STANDING AFTER ALL THREE TURNS!
WHAT'S THE MISS-FACT?
"SKILL!" EMERALD, TWO POINTS! GRETA, ZERO!
"BODY!" EMERALD, ZERO! GRETA TWO POINTS!
AHEM!
RO
AR
技
体
2
EMERALD, TWO POINTS! GRETA, ZERO!
FINAL SCORE: FOUR TO TWO!
...EMERALD WINS!!
I...I WON?
WELL DONE, EMERALD! HERE, TAKE THIS!
THIS IS PROOF THAT YOU HAVE CONQUERED THE BATTLE ARENA...
...THE GUTS SYMBOL!
OH... THANKS...
THAT WAS SOME AWESOME FIGHTING SPIRIT YOU DISPLAYED IN BATTLE JUST NOW!
SUDOWOODO WAS ONLY ABLE TO ENDURE TO THE END BECAUSE OF YOU CHEERING IT ON!
I DEMOTED YOU FOR NOT HAVING ENOUGH FIGHTING SPIRIT AT ARTISAN CAVE. BUT...
...YOU'VE CERTAINLY PROVEN ME WRONG!!
THAT WAS A GREAT MATCH!
YEAH, YEAH, I KNOW. I GOTTA GET GOING NOW, SO NIGHTY NIGHT...
HUH? W-WAIT!!
COME TO THINK NOW... JUST WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN SLEEPING ALL THIS TIME?
OUT-DOORS. WHY?

THAT WON'T DO! YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY GET ANY REST LIKE THAT. LOOK, YOU CAN USE THE BATTLE FRONTIER ACCOMMODATIONS FROM NOW ON IF YOU'D LIKE.
REALLY? OOOHH...
SNOOOORE
W-WAIT A SEC...!!
...WE WERE COMPLETELY THRASHED...
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. ACTUALLY, I HAVE SOMETHING THAT MIGHT HELP EVEN THE PLAYING FIELD FOR OUR REMATCH WITH THAT GUY...
WHAT IS IT?
OH WELL, GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED.
WHAT.. SO YOU GUYS HAVE GOTTEN CHUMMIER WITH THAT KID SINCE THE LAST TIME I SAW YOU, EH?
WHEN THAT MAN ATTACKED ME...
WHERE ARE YOU?
YOU, WHO HAVE AWAKENED FROM YOUR SLUMBER...?
NOLAND!!
YOU'RE AWAKE!!
YEAH, I COULDN'T STAND LYING AROUND IN A HOSPITAL BED ANYMORE, SO I SNEAKED OUT.
ANABEL, I HEARD THAT YOU GUYS FOUGHT WITH THE MYSTERIOUS MAN WHO ASSAULTED ME?
WE WERE HOPING TO AVENGE YOU BUT... I'M SORRY...
THE ONE WHO WAKES FOR SEVEN DAYS INC!
...AFTER A THOUSAND YEARS OF SLEEP...
THE WISH POKÉMON JIRACHI!
SWIPE

AT THAT TIME, I WAS ABLE TO COLLECT SOME SAMPLES OF THE METALLIC POWDER ON THAT MAN'S SWORD UNDER MY FINGERNAILS...
AFTER ANALYZING THE POWDER WITH MY "KNOWLEDGE" I BELIEVE IT'S HIGHLY POSSIBLE THAT...
...THE SWORD IS ACTUALLY SOME SPECIAL KIND OF BARRIER ITEM.
IT HAS THE CHARACTERISTICS OF BOTH "REFLECT" AND "LIGHT SCREEN"
HMM. I FIGURED AS MUCH...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
I WASN'T VERY SURE THEN, BUT I HAD A FEELING IT WAS SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
WHEN THAT MAN DEFLECTED BRANDON SPENSER, TUCKER AND LUCY'S ATTACKS...
...WE THOUGHT IT WAS BECAUSE OF HIS ARMOR.
BUT IN ACTUAL FACT, HE WAS ABLE TO DEFLECT THE ATTACKS...
...BECAUSE OF THAT SWORD!
IF THAT SWORD IS A BARRIER ITEM, THEN EVERYTHING MAKES SENSE
WITH A SINGLE SWING OF HIS SWORD, HE CAN CREATE A VACUUM VEIL AROUND HIMSELF AND NEUTRALIZE ANY ATTACK HEADED HIS WAY. IT'S THE ULTIMATE DEFENSE!
THAT SWORD MUST ALSO HAVE BEEN THE REASON WHY SURSKIT WAS STILL ABLE TO MOVE DESPITE BEING STRUCK BY "THUNDER"!
HMH...
HAD WE KNOWN ALL THESE SECRETS BEFOREHAND, WE WOULDN'T HAVE HAD SUCH A HARD TIME AGAINST HIM...
SCOTT, COULD I TAKE A LOOK AT THE REPORT THAT PROFESSOR OAK HAS DECIPHERED?
YOU MEAN THIS?
IT MAY SEEM PRESUMPTUOUS OF ME TO ATTEMPT TO REVEAL SOMETHING THAT HAS DECIPHERED BY THE TOP POKÉMON AUTHORITY OF THIS COUNTRY, BUT...
...IT'S POSSIBLE I MAY BE ABLE TO PINPOINT THE EXACT LOCATION JIRACHI WILL BE APPEARING NEXT IN THE FRONTIER.
VERY WELL!
GO AHEAD, NO-LAN!
THAT'S IT! IF YOU CAN DO THAT, THIS TIME...
...WE'LL BE ABLE TO BEAT GUILE TO THE PUNCH!

ALL RIGHT!!
I'M TOTALLY PSYCHED FOR THIS!!
SINCE ANABEL WILL BE FACING THAT NO ON THE FINAL DAY OF THE PRESS CONFERENCE THAT LEAVES JUST YOU AND ME IN BETWEEN SPENSER!
HOW ABOUT THE TWO OF US TRAIN TOGETHER IN PREPARATION FOR OUR BATTLES, HUH?
..
NO..
..I'M A LITTLE TIRED, SO I'M AFRAID I'LL HAVE TO PASS
I'LL BE RESTING IN THE BATTLE PALACE FOR A WHILE.
PLEASE DO NOT DISTURB ME
BATTLE PALACE
SMACK
GUILE...
GUILE HIDEOUT, HUH...

BATTLE FRONTIER ACCOMMODATIONS
OVER HERE!!
OH, COME ON! CAN'T YOU RUN ANY FASTER? YOU'RE ONLY CARRYING A KID, YOU KNOW!
HERE WE ARE!
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I CAN'T BELIEVE HE'S STILL FAST ASLEEP AFTER THAT BUMPY RIDE WE GAVE HIM!
EMERALD MUST REALLY BE EXHAUSTED. HE HASN'T BEEN RESTING WELL SINCE THE FIRST DAY OF THE CHALLENGE. NOT TO MENTION THERE WAS THAT FIGHT WITH GOLE EARLIER, ON...
HOW ARE HIS TOKEMON?
I'VE GOT 'EM. THERE'S A RECOVERY MACHINE IN EVERY ROOM HERE...
HMM. COME TO THINK, THIS GUY SURE HAS A LOT OF ACCESSORIES ON HIM, DOESN'T HE? LIKE THOSE SPRING-GLOVES AND PLATFORM SHOES... I DON'T THINK HE'LL BE ABLE TO REST PROPERLY WITH ALL THOSE THINGS ON...
SHOULD WE AT LEAST TAKE HIS SHOES OFF...?
WHOA, ARE HIS LEGS MADE OF SHOES?
GEEZ, IT'S SO TROUBLESOME! MIGHT AS WELL CHANGE HIM INTO HIS PAJAMAS WHILE WE'RE AT IT...
W-WAIT A MINUTE, GRETA!!
YOU! HOLD ON TO THAT SIDE!

WHAT THE HECK..?!
GRETA! SHUSH~!!
HOW ON EARTH DOES THIS KID EVEN MOVE ABOUT WITH ALL THAT HEAVY EQUIPMENT ON?!
HE'S A WHOLE LOT SMALLER THAN I THOUGHT HE WAS.
A- ANYWAY..
SCRATCH SCRATCH
SCRATCH SCRATCH
LET'S JUST PRETEND WE DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING, OKAY?! I'LL TAKE OVER FROM HERE, SO G'NIGHT, GRETA!!
HUH?! BUT WAIT..!!
WE'LL BE FINE!!

PHEW... THAT WAS STRESSFUL!
I'M NOT A WEED!
THE GUY'S REALLY SENSITIVE ABOUT HIS HEIGHT, SO...
...HEDITE MY SHOCK IF HE EVER FOUND OUT SOMEONE SAW HIS REAL HEIGHT WHILE HE WAS ASLEEP
HMM?
THEY SEEM PRETTY WORRIED ABOUT EMERALD...
GUESS IT'S TIME FOR ME TO HEAD BACK TO MY OWN ROOM AS WELL...
PATTER
PATTER
HMM?
POP POP POP!
PAT
SQUEEZE
OH WOW! THAT'S 100% FRESH MAGOST BERRY JUICE!
IT'S SWEET AND VERY TASTY... AND SUDOWOODO'S EVEN FEEDING HIM!
AMAZING! THAT SUDOWOODO IS PRETTY DOMESTICATED!
MAYBE IT'S FEMALE!
OH! THE SCEPTILE'S DOING SOMETHING TOO...
THUD!
OH, THE POKEMON HAVE RECOVERED!

BERRY GRILL!!
BERRY FLOAT!
A BERRY KIDS MEAL!!
A BERRY PARFAIT?!
MAN, OH MAN! RECIPES AND TECHNIQUES LIKE THESE ARE WASTED ON POKÉMON!!
DUSCLOPS HASN'T BEEN ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COOKING CONTEST AND IS OBVIOUSLY ANNOYED!
TRIBBLE
WHAT'S IT DOING?!
BOO
OOM
DROOL
WHOA!
THE SCEPTILE MADE AN IMPRESSIVE PLATE OF CUT FRUITS WITH "LEAF BLADE"!!
THIS IS SPECTACULAR!! IT'S A BATTLE BETWEEN FELLOW POKÉMON FOR THE RIGHT TO CARE FOR EMERALD!!
CRACKLE CRACKLE CRACKLE
THUMP THUMP THUMP
SWIRL SWIRL SWI

ROAAAAAR
A BLACK HOLE"?!
TUG
TUG
TUG
TUG
TUG
WHA...
WAAH!!! OWOWOW-OWOWO-WOW!!!
WHAT'S GOING ON?! LET GO OF ME!!!
SUCK
SUCK
SUCK
IT'S SUCKING ALL THE FOOD IN!!
WHAT A WASTE!!
FLOAT
WHEW...
OH NO!! EVEN EMERALD'S...!!
IT WANT TO HOG EMERALD FOR ITSELF!
GLOOM...
HUFF... HUFF... GEEZ, GUYS...!!
ARE YOU OKAY?
I'VE NEVER HAD ANY POKEMON BEFORE, SO I DON'T KNOW 'EM VERY WELL...
WHAT WOULD YOU DO IN SUCH A SITUATION...?

NOW THAT THEY'RE ATTACHED TO ME, THEY'VE STARTED QUARRELING AMONG THEMSELVES...
WELL, I'M NOT A POKÉMON TRAINER SO I'M NOT TOO SURE MYSELF...
SIGH. THAT REMINDS ME OF TODAY'S MATCH...
I CAN'T BELIEVE I WON BECAUSE OF SOMETHING LIKE THAT!
SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
DON'T GIVE UP, SUDOWOODO!!
IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER CHEERED A POKÉMON ON DURING A BATTLE...
I ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT A POKÉMON BATTLE IS A TEST OF THE POKÉMON'S ABILITIES AND HOW WELL THEIR TRAINER USES THEM...
IT'S JUST NOT POSSIBLE TO ACHIEVE ANYTHING BY CHEERING AND HOPING FOR THE BEST, RIGHT?
BUT...
...I ACTUALLY WON BECAUSE OF THAT!
AARGH! SO MANY THINGS ARE HAPPENING FOR THE FIRST TIME. I DUNNO WHAT'S GOING ON ANYMORE
AT THE BATTLE FACTORY
GOT'A SEND COPPER!
AH, THANKS.
HOW'S IT GOING, NOLAND?
THE MORE I EXAMINE THIS REPORT THAT PROFESSOR OAK HAS DECIPHERED...
...THE MORE INTRIGUING IT GETS...
JIRACHI LAST AWAKENED A THOUSAND YEARS AGO...
IT'S BEEN SAID THAT ANYONE WHO CAPTURES THAT LEGENDARY POKÉMON WOULD HAVE THEIR WISH FULFILLED, BUT...
I WONDER IF JIRACHI REALLY HAS GRANTED SOMEONE THEIR WISH ONE THOUSAND YEARS AGO? WHAT DO YOU THINK, BRANDON?
WELL, SINCE JIRACHI'S AWAKE NOW, I SAY THAT'S HIGHLY LIKELY!
WHAT WISH DO YOU THINK IT GRANTED?
HMM... LET ME SEE...
"WEALTH"?
"POWER"
MAYBE "BEAUTY"?

OR MAYBE IT WAS A WISH TO "NEVER GROW OLD" OR FOR "IMMORTALITY"!
IT'S POSSIBLE THAT SOMEONE COULD'VE WISHED FOR ETERNAL LIFE, YKNOW
THERE ARE A FEW PHRASES THAT CAN BE READ HERE...
"EYES"... "MEET THE EYES"... "OPENS ITS EYES"... "SEE EYE TO EYE"...
THEIR'S A LOT OF "EYES", MAN...
WAIT, THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE HERE...
"THE THIRD..."
EYE?
.. "EYE"!
BRANDON!
THAT'S IT!
"TAKE A LOOK AT THIS PORTION HERE, BRANDON... THERE IS SOME ANCIENT TEXT WRITTEN ALL OVER... JUDGING FROM ITS CONTEXT, I THINK IT COULD BE A RECORD ABOUT THE PERSON WHO HAD HIS WISH GRANTED BY JIRACHI IN THE LAST MILLENNIUM..."
FOR REAL?!
WHOA! IF THAT GUY GOT HIS WISH GRANTED, I SUPPOSE JIRACHI MUST'VE... HOW SHOULD I PUT IT... ACKNOWLEDGED HIM OR SOMETHING?
THAT'S GOT'A BE PRETTY IMPRESSIVE IN ITSELF!
HMM?
BRANDON...
WHAT DOES IT TAKE?
WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE SOMEONE "DESERVING OF HAVING THEIR WISH GRANTED BY JIRACHI"?
JIRACHI'S GOT A "THIRD EYE"!!
HE WHOSE "EYES" "MEET THE EYES" OF "THE THIRD EYE" OF JIRACHI'S WHEN IT "OPENS ITS EYES", SHALL "SEE EYE TO EYE" AND REACH OUT TO JIRACHI'S HEART...
THAT'S THE PERSON "DESERVING OF HAVING THEIR WISH GRANTED BY JIRACHI"!!

DEAR MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Thank you for being here to cover the opening of the Battle Frontier facility!

Please allow us to continue explaining the rules of the facilities.

SUPPLEMENTARY RULES OF EACH FACILITY

BATTLE DOME PART 2

■ DETAILS ABOUT THE "BATTLE CARD" ■

Here, we will explain more about the "Battle Card" that is used in the Battle Palace as well. This card will disclose information about the trainers taking part in the facility's challenge.

(1) POKÉMON ON HAND
(2) STRENGTH OF THE CONTESTANT AMONG ALL TAKING PART
(3) THE CONTESTANT'S FORTE
(4) WHICH STAR THE CONTESTANT IS STRONG IN

(1) POKÉMON ON HAND
Displays the three Pokémon the contestant has registered for the challenge.

(2) STRENGTH OF THE CONTESTANT AMONG ALL TAKING PART
His or her "ranking" (the first line of this profile is battle up of the rank of the contestant among all those taking part. This is calculated based on the strength of their Pokémon on hand.

(3) THE CONTESTANT'S FORTE
This line will display the contestant's battle style. It is based on the abilities and skills of the contestant's Pokémon on hand.

(4) WHICH STAR THE CONTESTANT IS STRONG IN
This kind of "skill training" the contestant does. What is recorded here is information about the personalities and special abilities of the contestant's Pokémon on hand.

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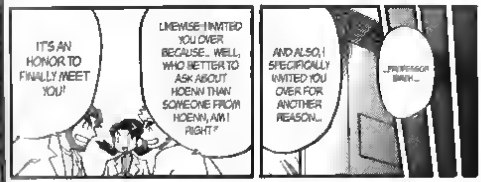
VS. VILEPLUME !

KBGL

EMERALD JUST CONTACTED US!
HOENN RESEARCH LABORATORY HOENN
SO FAR, HE HAS EARNED THE KBGL SYMBOLS IN HIS QUEST TO CONQUER THE BATTLE FRONTIER!
HE SAID HE'LL BE TAKING ON THE BATTLE DOME TODAY!
I SEE...
THREE MORE FACILITIES...
...AND ONLY THREE MORE DAYS LEFT...
...FOR US TO CAPTURE JIRACHI...
YES, THAT'S WHY...
...I'M GOING TO NEED YOUR HELP AS WELL, PROFESSOR.
THESE ARE THE RECORDS ABOUT EMERALD'S ENCOUNTER WITH GUILE, THE ARMORED MAN
I'LL NEED YOU TO REVIEW THEM...
PUFF PUFF
...AND THESE DATA FILES TOO WHILE YOU'RE AT IT...

WE HAVE TO DO OUR PART SO WE'LL BE ABLE TO SUPPORT EMERALD WITH THE BACKUP HE NEEDS!
SPEAKING OF WHICH, DID YOU KNOW THAT EMERALD ACTUALLY CHEERED ONE OF HIS POKÉMON ON DURING HIS ARENA CHALLENGE?
YOU DON'T SAY
HMM. TO THINK THAT EMERALD WOULD DO THAT
I'M SURE EVEN EMERALD HIMSELF WAS SURPRISED ...
BUT... THAT BOY IS DEFINITELY CHANGING...
...AND I HAVE A FEELING HE WILL CHANGE AFTER HE GOES THROUGH WITH THE MISSION THIS TIME!
THAT'S RIGHT! LIFE-CHANGING EVENTS WILL MAKE PEOPLE CHANGE FOR THE BETTER.
AND A RADICAL PERSON CHANGES RADICALLY!
YOU'RE...
PROFESSOR BIRCH!


IT'S AN HONOR TO FINALLY MEET YOU!
LIKEWISE. I INVITED YOU OVER BECAUSE... WELL, WHO BETTER TO ASK ABOUT HOENN THAN SOMEONE FROM HOENN, AM I RIGHT?
AND ALSO, I SPECIFICALLY INVITED YOU OVER FOR ANOTHER REASON...
...PROFESSOR BIRCH...

YEEEAH! AFTER ALL THAT RESTING, MY BODY'S IN TIP TOP SHAPE NOW!
I'M GONNA CONQUER THE BATTLE DOME TODAY!

SWISH
POP
POP
POP
WELCOME!
WHOA!
HUH!
LEAP
WELCOME TO THE BATTLE FRONTIER OPEN PRESS CONFERENCE EVENT.
THE FIFTH FACILITY'S BATTLE DOME!!
WAHAHAHA!
11
THE DAY OF OUR FATEFUL ENCOUNTER HAS FINALLY ARRIVED, EMERALD!
OH... HIS SALAMENCE IS CARRYING HIM...
TAP
MANY THINGS HAVE HAPPENED SINCE I FIRST MET YOU AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE... NOW THAT I KNOW YOUR ABILITIES AND YOUR TRUE PURPOSE HERE...
I'D LIKE TO BURY THE HATCHET AND SHOW MY RESPECT TO YOU BY REGARDING YOU AS A TRAINER AND NOTHING LE...!!
WHO CARES ABOUT ALL THAT!
LEMME KNOW THE RULES OF THIS FACILITY ALREADY!
GAH! THIS BRAT REALLY TICKS ME OFF!
SIE... BEFORE THAT...
BEHOLD!!

ROAAAAR
TIDE-RIP
HUH? WHAT'S THAT BIG SHIP SUPPOSED TO BE?
THAT WOULD BE THE TIDE-RIP, MY FRIEND! THE LUXURY LINER THAT CONNECTS THE BATTLE FRONTIER TO HOENN!!

AND THAT'S NOT ALL! LOOK AWEFULLY!!
I'VE ALSO INVITED OTHER TRAINERS FROM THE PUBLIC WHO'D LIKE TO CHALLENGE THE BATTLE DOME AS WELL!

OTHER TRAINERS?!
INDEED!
THEY'RE TRAINERS WHO WISH TO CONQUER THE BATTLE FRONTIER, JUST LIKE YOU!

TUCKER'S FACILITY, THE BATTLE DOME...
...IS A TOURNAMENT-BASED FACILITY AFTER ALL.
OOH!

SO FAR, THE TRAINERS YOU'VE BATTLED IN ALL THE FACILITIES WE'RE ALL "VIRTUAL" TRAINERS.
...IN OTHER WORDS, YOU WERE MERELY BATTLING AGAINST THE COMPUTER.

WE ALLOWED THAT PREVIOUSLY, BECAUSE IT WAS MERELY A MATCH WHERE YOU JUST HAD TO KEEP DEFEATING ANYTHING IN YOUR WAY...
HOWEVER, IF WE WERE TO PERMIT THAT FOR A FULL OUT TOURNAMENT, WE'D BE ASKING THE AUDIENCE TO SPEND LONG HOURS LOOKING AT THE COMPUTER BATTLE AGAINST ITSELF...

WOW... YOU HAVE SOME THING LIKE THAT HERE?
LATIAS AND LATIOS BROUGHT ME HERE, SEE? SO I HAD NO IDEA...
HEY, THERE'S A LOTTA PEOPLE COMING OFF THAT SHIP!
WHO ARE THEY?
HEH, I HAPPEN TO BE THE "DOME ACE TUCKER" DON'T YOU KNOW!
THE MORE PEOPLE THERE ARE IN THE DOME, THE BETTER I'M ABLE TO PERFORM. THAT'S WHY WE NEED A HUMONGOUS AUDIENCE CROWD FOR THIS BATTLE

THE OWNER FELT THAT IT WOULD LIKELY BORE THE AUDIENCES WATCHING, SO HE HAS AGREED TO ALLOW OTHER TRAINERS BESIDES YOURSELF TO TAKE PART IN THE BATTLE DOME
I SEE
ALTHOUGH...
BESIDES HOLDING THIS EVENT FOR THE FRONTIER, WE STILL HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT OUR BATTLE AGAINST GUILE AS WELL AS JIRACHI'S CAPTURE.
SOME HAVE EVEN ASKED IF IT'S WISE FOR US TO ALLOW SO MANY PEOPLE INTO THE FRONTIER IN SPITE OF ALL THAT, BUT...
...THIS IS WHAT I, ANABEL HAVE DECIDED ON IN THE END.
THE FRONTIER BRAINS WILL PROTECT ALL THE GUESTS OF THE BATTLE FRONTIER! THAT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY!
IT'S FINE, ISN'T IT?
'SIDES, I'M GONNA DEFEAT 'EM ALL ANYWAY, SO IT DOESN'T MATTER TO ME IF MY OPPONENTS ARE VIRTUAL OR REAL!
HEH HEH HEH! I KNEW YOU'D SAY THAT!
...ICY AND GRETA WILL BE HEATING THE AUDIENCE IN SOON...
YOU CAN BE REST ASSURED, JUST GIVE THIS BATTLE YOUR BEST SHOT
THANKS! I'M COUNTING ON YOU THEN!
COME ON! LET'S GO ALREADY!!
EACH TOURNAMENT STARTS OFF WITH 16 TRAINERS. THE WINNING TOURNAMENT MEANS YOU WIN ONE SET...
...AND YOU'LL ONLY BE ABLE TO GO UP AGAINST ACE TUCKER, IN THE FIFTH SET!!
CLACK CLACK CLACK
I DON'T WANT TO SEE YOU LOSE A SINGLE ONE ARE WE CLEAR?!
HEH, I DON'T NEED YOU TELLING ME THAT!!
...HAVE TO WIN A TOTAL OF AT LEAST 16 BATTLES?
RUSTLE

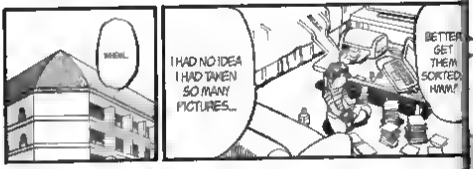
ROOOAAAAR
WOW!!
CHEER CHEER CHEER
CHEER CHEER
THERE'S SO MANY OF 'EM!
TALK ABOUT A HUMONGOUS TURNOUT!
SAY... WHERE'S THAT REPORTER THAT USUALLY FOLLOWS YOU AROUND?
HE SAYS HE'S STAYING IN THE HOTEL TODAY TO SORT OUT ALL THE PICTURES HE TOOK
WHAAAT?!
SHOCKED
HE DOESN'T INTEND TO COVER THE BATTLE YOU'LL BE HAVING AGAINST THE GREAT DOME ACE TUCKER!!

WAAAAAH!! I'M SOOO GOING TO MAKE HIM REGRET NOT COMING TODAY!! JUST YOU WAIT!
WAH HAH HAH HAH!! THANK YOU FOR COMING, EVERYBODY!!
I AM DOME ACE TUCKER!
AH WELL! GUESS I SHOULD HEAD OVER TO THE CHALLENGER'S CORNER NOW...

OH HEY! YOU'RE ALL HERE ALREADY!

GLARE

WEDGE
SCUSE ME!


WHEW...
I HAD NO IDEA I HAD TAKEN SO MANY PICTURES...
BETTER GET THEM SORTED, HMM?

THIS PHOTO...
I DIDN'T NOTICE IT WHEN I WAS TAKING THIS PICTURE, BUT... I GUESS SCEPTILE'S AFFECTION FOR EMERALD WAS BEEN PRETTY OBVIOUS ALL THIS TIME..
THERE'S SCEPTILE LOOKING AT EMERALD!
HERE TOO...
THIS ONE AS WELL...

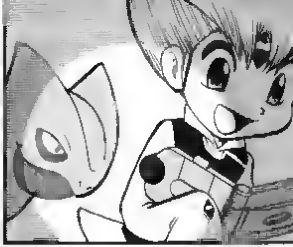
SCEPTILE AS ALREADY INCHED TO EMERALD RIGHT FROM THE START, HUH...
TRIP TRIP
GY
TSUYOSHI!
OW-OW-OW-!! I'M BLEEDING !!
BAND AID! I NEED A BAND AID!!

HELLO, IS THIS THE FRONT DESK?! I HAD A LITTLE MISHAP...
COULD I GET A BAND AID AND SOME DISINFECTANT HERE, PLEASE?!

XOOO
WHOA, THAT WAS FAST! PLEASE COME IN!
GYAK
A-A A NURSE?! BUT I'M NOT THAT BADLY INJURED, REALLY..!!

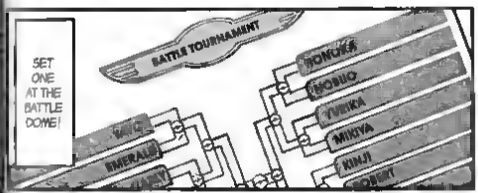
LET'S SEE THAT FINGER OF YOURS...

...THERE MUST BE SOMETHING THAT MADE SCEPTILE SO INTERESTED IN EMERALD'S POKÉDEX...
BUT... THAT WOULD MEAN...

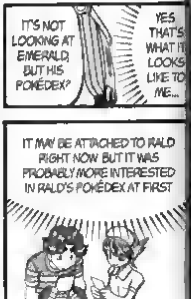


OH, IT'S YOU! YOU'RE IN DISGUISE AGAIN?
YES, RALD ASKED ME TO HELP HIM INVESTIGATE THE WHEREABOUTS OF GUILE HIDEOUT...

YEAH! SEE HOW INTENSELY SCEPTILE'S LOOKING AT HIM?!
ARE THOSE PHOTOGRAPHS OF RALD?


SET ONE AT THE BATTLE DOME!
BATTLE TOURNAMENT
HONOKA
NOBUO
YUKIKA
MIKIYA
KINJI
ROBERT
WALLY
EMERALD

HEH HEH, YOU'RE RIGHT! THE SCEPTILE IS QUITE INTERESTED IN RALD'S POKÉDEX, ISN'T IT?
EH?


YES, THAT'S WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE TO ME...
IT'S NOT LOOKING AT EMERALD, BUT HIS POKÉDEX?
IT MAY BE ATTACHED TO RALD RIGHT NOW BUT IT WAS PROBABLY MORE INTERESTED IN RALD'S POKÉDEX AT FIRST

OCCULT FANATIC HONOKA VERSUS RELIC FANATIC NOBUO!!
"SHADOW BALL"!!
"ROCK SLIDE"!!
BATTLE GIRL YUKARI VERSUS DEBUGGER MIKIYA!!
"MEGA PUNCH"!!
"MEGA KICK"!!
NINJA WANNABE KINJI VERSUS GENTLEMAN ROBERT!!
"ENDURE"!!
"FOCUS PUNCH"!!

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BATTLE DOME PART 3

■ DETAILS ABOUT THE "RANKING" SYSTEM ■

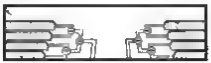
The first line of the profile on each trainer's Battle Card consists of their "ranking" which is based on the Frontier's ranking system. The sentence listed on the card will indicate the rank of the trainer as per the box to the right.

HIGHER	THE TOP-TIER FAVORITE OF THE TOURNAMENT
	THIS TEAM WILL DEFINITELY MAKE IT TO THE FINALS.
	HIS TEAM HAS THREE POWERFUL POKÉMON IN IT.
	ONE OF THE TOP FAVORITES OF THE TOURNAMENT
	A TEAM WITH TOP-CLASS ABILITIES.
	THE DARK HORSE OF THE TOURNAMENT
	A TEAM THAT IS SUBTLY ABOVE AVERAGE.
	AN AVERAGE TEAM.
	A TEAM WITH AVERAGE ABILITIES
	A TEAM THAT IS SUBTLY BELOW AVERAGE.
	THIS TEAM MAY BE ABLE TO WIN ONE MATCH.
	WOULD BE GOOD IF THIS TEAM COULD WIN ONE MATCH.
	A BOTTOM-BRACKET TEAM.
	A TEAM WITH RATHER POOR ABILITIES.
	IT WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT FOR THIS TEAM TO WIN.
LOWER	THE TEAM WITH THE LEAST CHANCE OF WINNING

➡ As you watch the tournament, please use the chart on the right as a reference for the ranks of the trainers involved.

■ ABOUT DOUBLE KNOCKOUTS ■

This is the only facility where, in the event of a draw, the trainer with the higher rank on their Battle Card will be counted as the winner.



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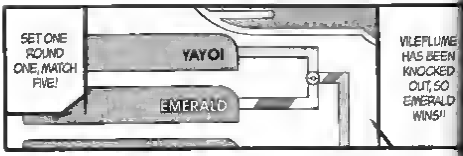
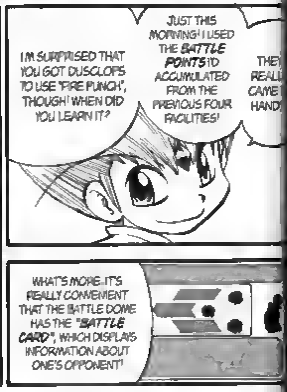
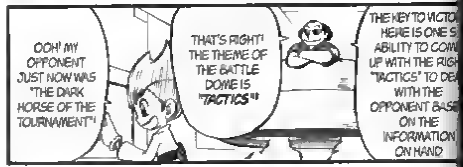
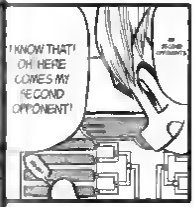
VS. VILEPLUME II

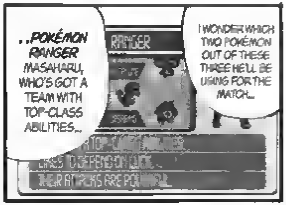

SET ONE ROUND ONE, MATCH FIVE!
YAY!
EMERALD
VILEPLUME HAS BEEN KNOCKED OUT, SO EMERALD WINS!!

WAY TO GO! YOU COASTED RIGHT INTO THE QUARTER FINALS!
NO SWEAT!


I'M SURPRISED THAT YOU GOT DUSCLOPS TO USE "FIRE PUNCH", THOUGH! WHEN DID YOU LEARN IT?
JUST THIS MORNING! I USED THE BATTLE POINTS I'D ACCUMULATED FROM THE PREVIOUS FOUR FACILITIES!
THEY REALLY CAME IN HAND!
WHAT'S MORE, IT'S REALLY CONVENIENT THAT THE BATTLE DOME HAS THE "BATTLE CARD", WHICH DISPLAYS INFORMATION ABOUT ONE'S OPPONENT!


OOH! MY OPPONENT JUST NOW WAS "THE DARK HORSE OF THE TOURNAMENT"!
THAT'S RIGHT! THE THEME OF THE BATTLE DOME IS "TACTICS"!
THE KEY TO VICTO... HERE IS ONE'S ABILITY TO COM... UP WITH THE RIGH... "TACTICS" TO DE... WITH THE OPPONENT BASE... ON THE INFORMATION ON HAND


I KNOW THAT! OH! HERE COMES MY SECOND OPPONENT!


..POKÉMON RANGER MASAHARU, WHO'S GOT A TEAM WITH TOP-CLASS ABILITIES...
RANGER
I WONDER WHICH TWO POKÉMON OUT OF THESE THREE HE'LL BE USING FOR THE MATCH...

AND.
STEP
..WHICH TWO SHOULD I USE?

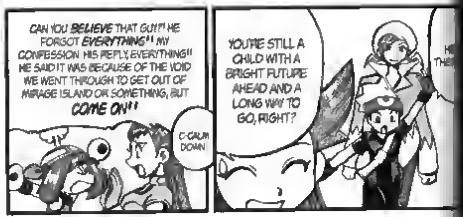
HERE GOES!!
SHUFFLE

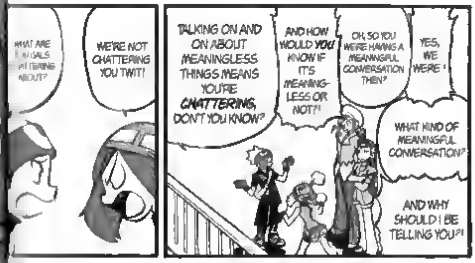
CHECKING THE TIDE-UP
DO YOU TAKE THIS WOMAN AS YOUR LAWFULLY WEDDED WIFE...
...TO SWEAR TO LOVE HER FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE?
I...I DO"!
WILL THE BRIDE AND GROOM EXCHANGE RINGS NOW...
WOW... A SHIPBOARD WEDDING IS SO ROMANTIC!!
MORE IMPORTANT... LOOK AT HOW BEAUTIFUL THE BRIDE IS! I'M SO HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO WITNESS THIS, MANON!
YES...
THOSE TWO WERE A GREAT HELP DURING THE ROSGRE AND GROUDON AFFAIR, WHEN WE NEEDED PEOPLE TO GUIDE THE REFUGEES IN NEW MAUVILLE
AS A GYM LEADER, I JUST HAD TO BE PRESENT TO GIVE THEM MY BLESSINGS. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO BE ABLE TO ATTEND THIS IMPORTANT CEREMONY...
MANON MAKES ME WISH YOUR OWN WEDDING WOULD BE LIKE THIS TOO HUH!!
HEH HEH... WELL I WOULDN'T KNOW ABOUT THAT...
AFTER ALL THINGS DIDN'T QUITE WORK OUT THE FIRST TIME...
BUT WALLACE RENOUNCED HIS CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE IN ORDER TO BECOME A GYM LEADER JUST SO HE COULD GO AFTER YOU, ISN'T THAT RIGHT?
THAT'S PRETTY ROMANTIC TOO IF YOU ASK ME.
YES... BUT THAT ONLY BECAME A BURDEN TO ME. TO HAVE A MAN WHOSE ABILITIES FAR SURPASS MINE ALWAYS BY MY SIDE... I FELT SMOTHERED BY HIM... EVERYTHING I DID JUST COULD NOT MEASURE UP ANYMORE...
...ALL THE MORE SO SINCE I WAS TASKED WITH THE ROLE OF GYM LEADER...
BUT YOU WANTED TO "START ANEW" WITH HIM AFTER THE EVENT. DIDN'T YOU? DID YOU FALL IN LOVE WITH HIM AGAIN? AW, C'MON, YOU CAN TELL ME
S-STOP MAKING FUN OF ME!
WHAT ABOUT YOU AND RUBY THEN?

I...I THINK...
..IT'S OVER BETWEEN US!!

OVER...? WHAT HAPPENED?
WHAT HAPPENED?! ALL BETS ARE OFF! THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED!

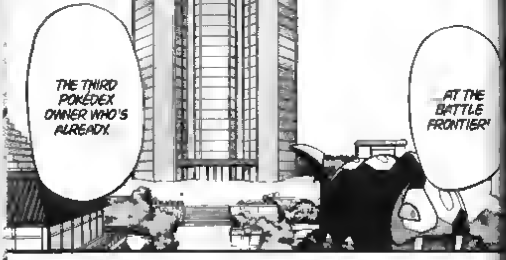
AAH... YOU KNOW, ABOUT KYOGRE AND GROUDON...
...I DON'T REALLY REMEMBER HOW WE SOLVED THE PROBLEM, SO...

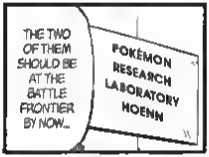

CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT GUY?! HE FORGOT EVERYTHING!! MY CONFESSION, HIS REPLY, EVERYTHING!! HE SAID IT WAS BECAUSE OF THE VOID WE WENT THROUGH TO GET OUT OF MIRAGE ISLAND OR SOMETHING, BUT COME ON!!
C'MON DOWN
YOU'RE STILL A CHILD WITH A BRIGHT FUTURE AHEAD AND A LONG WAY TO GO, RIGHT?


WHAT ARE THOSE GALS AT THERE ABOUT?
WE'RE NOT CHATTERING YOU TWIT!
TALKING ON AND ON ABOUT MEANINGLESS THINGS, MEANS YOU'RE CHATTERING, DON'T YOU KNOW?
AND HOW WOULD YOU KNOW IF IT'S MEANINGLESS OR NOT?!
OH, SO YOU WERE HAVING A MEANINGFUL CONVERSATION THEN?
YES, WE WERE!
WHAT KIND OF MEANINGFUL CONVERSATION?
AND WHY SHOULD I BE TELLING YOU?!

...W-WE SETTLE DOWN, YOU TWO! WINONA AND I HAVE TO ATTEND THE WEDDING RECEPTION...
...BUT THE BOTH OF YOU ARE HERE WITH A MISSION, AREN'T YOU?

THAT'S RIGHT!
YES, MASTER! WE'RE HERE TO TAKE PART IN THE BATTLE DOME TOURNAMENT!
AND TO MEET UP WITH "HIM" ---


THE THIRD POKÉDEX OWNER WHO'S ALREADY...
AT THE BATTLE FRONTIER!


THE TWO OF THEM SHOULD BE AT THE BATTLE FRONTIER BY NOW...
POKÉMON RESEARCH LABORATORY HOENN

THANKS TO YOU, PROFESSOR BIRCH, WE WERE ABLE TO SEND TWO POWERFUL HELPERS TO ASSIST EMERALD IN HIS MISSION!

DON'T MENTION IT...
AFTER ALL, POKÉDEX OWNERS ARE OFTEN DESTINED TO LIVE A LIFE SURROUNDED BY BATTLES...
...I BELIEVE YOU WERE THE ONE WHO SAID THAT, PROFESSOR OAK!

I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT!

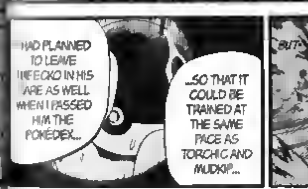
IF ONLY TREECKO WERE HERE AS WELL...

AH, IT'S ONE OF THE THREE POKÉMON I HAVE ON HAND.
BACK WHEN I WAS CARRYING OUT A SPECIAL RESEARCH ON "GRASS", "FIRE" AND "WATER" TYPE POKÉMON, I HAD THREE POKÉMON WITH ME...
I ALSO HAD THREE POKÉDEXES THAT I HAD OBTAINED FROM YOU...

I GAVE ONE POKÉDEX ALONG WITH TORCHIC TO MY DAUGHTER...

...ANOTHER POKÉDEX TO NORMAN'S SON, ALONG WITH MUDKIP...

AND WE ALREADY HAD SOMEONE IN MIND FOR THE OWNER OF THE THIRD POKÉDEX.
THAT'S RIGHT. I ARRANGED TO MEET UP WITH EMERALD IN ORDER TO PASS HIM THE POKÉDEX, AS PER YOUR REQUEST.


I HAD PLANNED TO LEAVE TREECKO IN HIS CARE AS WELL WHEN I PASSED HIM THE POKÉDEX...
...SO THAT IT COULD BE TRAINED AT THE SAME PACE AS TORCHIC AND MUDKIP...

BUT...

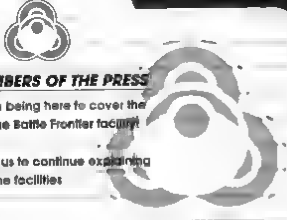
...TREECKO AND THE POKÉDEX WERE WASHED AWAY BY THE DOWNPOUR AND SUBSEQUENT TSUNAMI THAT AFFECTED HALF OF HOENN
FORTUNATELY, THAT BAG WAS RECOVERED BY A GOOD-HEARTED BOY.
...WHO RETURNED THE POKÉDEX TO ME SOON AFTER.
DEAR PROFESSOR BIRCH... I WAS THE ONE WHO FOUND YOUR POKÉDEX. I WOULD LIKE TO RETURN IT TO YOU. IT WAS WASHED AWAY IN THE RAIN.
HOWEVER, I WAS SEPARATED FROM THE TREECKO THAT WAS ALSO IN THE BAG, AND I CAN'T SEEM TO FIND IT. DURING THE TORNADO THAT OCCURRED AT THE SKY PILLAR WHEN RAYQUAZA AWAKENED, I WAS BLOWN AWAY AND...
I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO LOCATE THE TREECKO EVER SINCE THEN, BUT APPARENTLY IT HAD ALREADY EVOLVED INTO A GROVYLE.
I TOLD EMERALD ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED, AND HE SAID...
NAH, IT'S OKAY!
I'VE ALREADY DECIDED THAT I DON'T WANT ANY POKÉMON ON HAND!
IS THAT A...
WELL, REGARDLESS OF HOW EMERALD FEELS, I DO HOPE THAT THE TREEC... NO, I MEAN THE GROVYLE IS DOING WELL WHEREVER IT IS...
YES.
IF IT HAS RETURNED TO THE WILD, THEN I SUPPOSE IT SHOULD BE GETTING ALONG FINE.
STRUGGLE
STRUGGLE
STRUGGLE
STRUGG
DUCK
"COUNTER"!!
TAKE THIS!!
BAM
BAM

SET FOUR, FINAL ROUND..
URSARING HAS BEEN KNOCKED OUT! EMERALD WINS!!
THERE WILL NOW BE A 15-MINUTE BREAK.
PHEW! TIME FOR A LITTLE BREATHER!!
YES!
TIDE-RIP WILL BE DEPARTING FROM THE HARBOR SOON!!
BYE, LAD! I'LL BE BACK IN THREE DAYS!
OKAY! YOU TAKE CARE, BRINEY OLD MAN...! OOPS, I MEAN... HONORABLE CAPTAIN BRINEY!! SEND OUR REGARDS TO WALLACE AND WINONA!
NOW THEN...
...HOW DO WE GO ABOUT FINDING "HIM"?
DO YOU KNOW WHAT HE LOOKS LIKE?
NO

PUT MY MIND TO IT!
...THAT THE POKÉDEXES SHOULD "RESONATE" WHEN THEY'RE NEAR EACH OTHER.
WHEN THE RIGHTFUL THREE OWNERS OF THE SAME POKÉDEX MODEL ARE CLOSE TO EACH OTHER...
...THE POKÉDEXES WILL SENSE EACH OTHER AND GIVE OFF A SOUND..
BEEP BEEP BEEP
I'M THIS YOU MEAN?
I DON'T TELL YA, HE'S HERE IN THE BATTLE DOME!
OVER HERE...
BEEP BEEP BEEP
AH!
BEEP BEEP BEEP
YEAH!
HUH? IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE HE'S INSIDE THE DOME...
BEEP BEEP
A RAINBOW!
BEEP BEEP BEEP
IT'S SO BEAUTIFUL...
BEEP BEEP

GEEZ, WH
IS THAT
AWFUL
BEEPING
NOISE?
I JUS
WANN
PEE IN
PEACE!
BEEP
I THINK
IT'S
COMING
FROM
THIS
DIRECTION!
UWAAH!!
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
DON'T
TURN THIS
WAY!!
WHAT?
WHAT
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP

EWWW... ARE YOU SURE IT DIDN'T SPATTER ON ME?! MAYBE IT GOT ON MY BACK OR SOMETHING!! TAKE A CLOSER LOOK FOR ME, PLEASE!
OH, GROW UP! NOW'S NOT THE TIME TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT SUCH THINGS!
UM... HELLOOOOO? MAYBE I SHOULD ASK AGAIN?
JUST WHO THE HECK ARE YOU GUYS, AND WHAT'RE YOU HERE FOR?
WE'RE HERE FOR YOU, EMERALD!
THE THIRD POKEDEX OWNER IN THE HOENN REGION!
I'M RUBY!
AND I'M SAPPHIRE!



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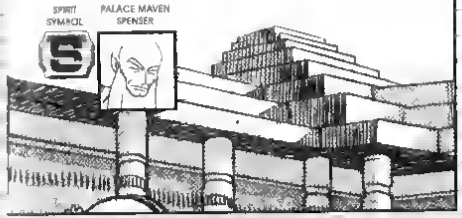
BATTLE PALACE PART 1

BATTLE MODE	POKÉMON ALLOWED	OBTAINABLE SYMBOL	REQUIREMENT FOR SYMBOL ACQUISITION
SINGLE	THREE	SPIRIT	4 WINS OR 7 VICTORIES IN CONSECUTIVE MATCHES
DOUBLE			

The Battle Palace is a place with a special rule, where trainers do not give out any commands, letting their Pokémon decide by themselves which skills to use instead. Basically it is a place where the trainers have to take a backseat, allowing their Pokémon to do battle by themselves. As the trainers are unable to give any commands, this is a facility which doesn't require much forethought or strategy. It is more for people who are interested in seeing Pokémon battle each other using their natural instincts.



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VS. KIRLIA

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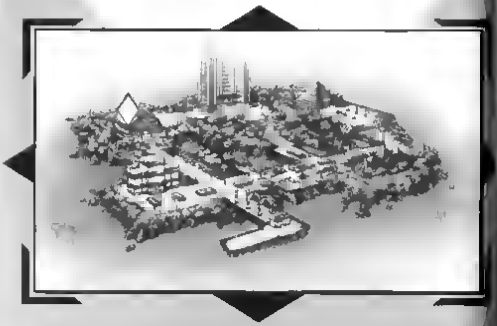

POCKET MONSTER SPECIAL THE SIXTH CHAPTER EMERALD

RUBY AND...
...SAPPHIRE?
WE'VE POKÉDEX OWNERS OF HOENN LIKE YOURSELF!
IN OTHER WORDS, WE'RE YOUR COMRADES! WE'RE HERE TO HELP YOU CAPTURE JIRACHI AND PROTECT IT FROM THE ENEMY!
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COMRADES? HERE TO HELP?
WHO TOLD YOU TO DO THAT? WAS IT CRISTAL? OR PROFESSOR OAK?
NEITHER!
IT WAS PROFESSOR BIRCH WHO SENT US HERE!
OH, THAT OLD MAN, EH?
IN ANY CASE, I'LL JUST SAY ONE THING...

I DON'T NEED ANY HELP!!
I'M THE ONE HIRED TO CAPTURE JIRACHI, SO THERE!!

IT'S FINE HE'S TAKING PART IN THE TOURNAMENT AT THE BATTLE DOME, RIGHT?
WE'LL BE PARTICIPATING AS WELL, SO THERE'S NO NEED FOR US TO GET FLUSTERED ABOUT IT..
HMM?
WHAT'S WRONG?

FOR CRYING OUT LOUD..." HOW CAN A BOY BE SO FUSSY ABOUT THESE PETTY THINGS?!
HEY, JUST BECAUSE YOU ALWAYS HAVE POKEMON POOP STUCK UP YOUR NOSE DOESN'T MEAN...
I DON'T ALWAYS HAVE IT, OKAY!!
WELL, NOT TODAY, OBVIOUSLY, BUT...

I...I CAN SMELL SOMETHING! OH, EWW~" I NEED A CHANGE OF CLOTHES..!

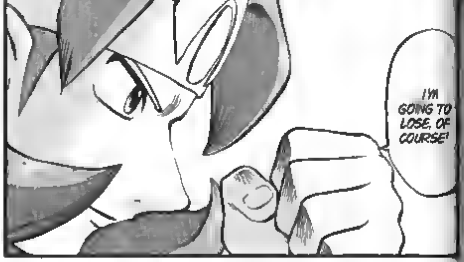
GOTTA GO, FOLKS!
AH! WAIT, EMERALD...
SMACK
SMACK
OW.. THAT "IRON TAIL" SURE PACKS A PUNCH...
THIS IS NO TIME TO BE IMPRESSED! COME ON, WE SHOULD GIVE CHASE!

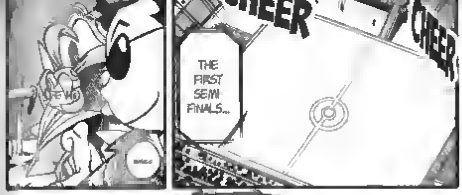
RUBY, THE SON OF NORMAN, GYM LEADER OF PETALBURG...
...AND SAPPHIRE, THE DAUGHTER OF PROFESSOR BIRCH...

SO THEY'VE COME TO THE FRONTIER...
...AS I EXPECTED THEY WOULD...

WELCOME TO THE SURVIVAL TOURNAMENT AT THE BATTLE DOME...
I'M SO FIRED UP BY TODAY'S EVENT! VIRTUAL TRAINERS SURE CAN'T BEAT THE REAL LIFE ONES, I SAY!
CHEER
INDEED! THE AUDIENCE SEEMS MUCH MORE EXCITED ABOUT THIS DOME COMPARED WITH THE OTHER FACILITIES WE'VE BEEN TO UP UNTIL YESTERDAY.
CHEER
DOME ACE TUCKER IS FINALLY ABOUT TO ENTER THE TOURNAMENT...
FROM THE SEQUENCE OF MATCHES... EMERALD WILL ONLY BE ABLE TO GO UP AGAINST HIM IN THE FINAL ROUND!
EMERALD WILL NEED TO WIN THE "TACTICS" SYMBOL HERE TO COMPLETE HIS QUEST OF CONQUERING ALL THE FACILITIES... I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN!
NO, WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT YET!
DON'T FORGET THERE ARE OTHER TRAINERS BESIDES TUCKER AND EMERALD WHO ARE LIKELY TO WIN THIS TOURNAMENT AS WELL!
BAM
BAM
AND TWO OF THEM, AT THAT!
BAM
...WHERE THE OUTCOME OF THE BATTLE IS DECIDED BY SPLIT SECOND DECISIONS!!
SPLR
ZUZU!
"MUD SHOT"!!
TORO!
"BLAZE KICK"!!
ROOAR
RUBY AND SAPPHIRE... THEY'RE PARTICIPANTS...
...FROM THE PUBLIC, AREN'T THEY..
THEY WERE ABLE TO KNOCK THEIR OPPONENTS OUT WITH A SINGLE BLOW...
...DOWNING UP THE RANKS BEFORE THE AUDIENCE CAN EVEN BLINK!
RUBY
SAPPHIRE

HO HO!
CHEER CHEER
TUCKER VERSUS SAPPHIRE AND EMERALD VERSUS RUBY...
LOOKS LIKE THIS WILL TURN OUT TO BECOME SOMETHING INTERESTING!
HOW'RE THINGS GOING, TUCKER?
THINGS ARE GOING AWESOME! I'M IN TOP FORM TODAY, OWNER!!
BUT IN THE REMOTE CHANCE THAT YOU SHOULD LOSE IN THE SEMI-FINALS, EMERALD WON'T BE ABLE TO CHALLENGE YOU FOR THE TACTICS SYMBOL, YOU KNOW...
WELL THEN, HOW ABOUT THIS?
FLI
WHETHER I WIN OR LOSE IN THE SEMI-FINALS, I'LL GIVE THE TACTICS SYMBOL TO THE VICTOR OF THIS TOURNAMENT...
NOT THAT...
SNATCH
BOO OO
WE WILL NOW ANNOUNCE THE SEMI-FINALISTS OF TODAY!
OOMR
THEY ARE DOME ACE TUCKER...
AND THESE THREE OTHERS!


I'M GOING TO LOSE, OF COURSE!


CHEER
CHEER
THE FIRST SEMI FINALS...

YOU SEEM PRETTY CONFIDENT
YEAH...
RIGHT NOW, IT'S NOT A MATTER OF WHETHER I CAN DEFEAT ALL THE CHALLENGERS..
...OR EVEN PROTECT THE TACTICS SYMBOL...

...WILL BE EMERALD VERSUS RUBY!

I MUST BECOME STRONGER IN ORDER TO BATTLE AGAINST GUILE HIDEOUT ONE MORE TIME!
RIGHT NOW MY MOTIVE IS TO SHOW HIM THE TRUE METTLE AND POWER OF THE FRONTIER BRAINS! IF HE HAPPENS TO BE WATCHING THIS TOURNAMENT...
...I WANT HIM TO KNOW THAT THE FRONTIER BRAINS WON'T LET HIM OFF FOR WHAT HE'S DONE...!!

LET'S SEE THE OPPONENT'S BATTLE CARD...
BEEP BEEP
THE POKÉMON HE HAS ON HAND ARE..
HMM?

ZURU! CHEST OUT! THAT'S RIGHT...
MUM! LOOK THIS WAY, BABY!
RURU! COCK YOUR HEAD DAINTILY TO THE SIDE...
LET'S SEE... THE BEST POSITION TO PLACE THE VIDEO CAM WOULD BE... HERE!
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK
CLICK

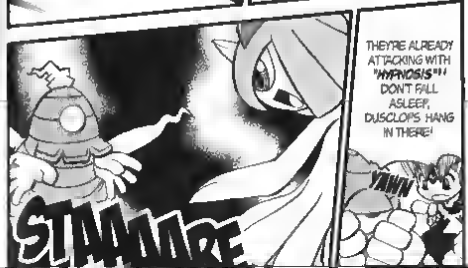
HEY! WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?!
IT'S THEIR PORTFOLIOS, SIR! JUST KEEPING A RECORD OF MY POKÉMON'S GRAND EXPLOITS! I HAVE 136 PAGES AND COUNTING!

OH, RIGHT, COULD YOU HELP ME WITH THE LIGHTING FOR MY VIDEO CAM?

BY THE WAY, EMERALD! YOU DON'T HAVE TO LOOK AT THAT BATTLE CARD!
THESE THREE ARE MY POKÉMON ON HAND!

BATTLE BEGIN!!

LET'S GO, RURU!!
A KIRLIA, HUH? THAT'S A PSYCHIC TYPE!
THEN I'LL HAVE TO USE...
DUSCLOPS!!


THEY'RE ALREADY ATTACKING WITH "HYPNOSIS"!! DON'T FALL ASLEEP, DUSCLOPS. HANG IN THERE!
YAWN
STAAARE

GREAT! YOU GOT THROUGH, DUSCLOPS! NOW'S OUR TURN!
SWIRRL
PSYCHIC TYPES ARE WEAK AGAINST "GHOST" TYPE ATTACKS. LET'S SEE HOW YOU FARE AGAINST A STRING OF 'EM.
"SHADOW BALL"!
SWISH
SLAM
THD
THD
THD
THU

HMM? IT'S STILL NOT KNOCKED OUT AFTER SO MANY ATTACKS? LOOKS LIKE THIS THING'S GOT A PRETTY TOUGH HIDE!
TIME FOR A LITTLE STRATEGY ADJUSTMENT...
BOOM
"FIRE PUNCH"!
SMASH
YES! IT'S AFFECTED BY "BURN"! NOW IT'LL LOSE HIT POINTS EVERY TURN ON TOP OF BEING ATTACKED BY MY DUSCLOPS!
WHAT HAVE I BROUGHT UPON MYSELF...
BUT WILL THAT REALLY LEAD YOU TO VICTORY?

TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT YOUR OWN POKÉMON!
EH?!
WOBBLE
MY DUSCLOPS AFFECTED BY "BURN" AS WELL?! BUT HOW...
AHH! NINJA HAS THE "SYNCHRONIZE" ABILITY!!
HUFF
HUFF
THIS ABILITY ENSURES THAT THE OPPONENT IS AFFECTED WITH THE SAME NEGATIVE STATUS AS ITSELF
AND IT'S NOT THAT NINJA WAS ABLE TO WITHSTAND ALL THOSE "SHADOW BALL" ATTACKS JUST NOW, BUT...
...DUSCLOPS' "SHADOW BALL" HAS MOST PROBABLY ALREADY BEEN "UNPOISONED"
THOSE ATTACKS THAT I DID JUST NOW WERE ALL FOR NOTHING THEN?!
THUD
THUMP
CHEER
IT'S A DRAW!
CHEER
HMPH... YOU'RE NOT HALF BAD!
GRIN

BOOM
MIMI!
MIMI'S A WATER-TYPE, SO YOU'LL DEFINITELY BE USING THE LEAF-TYPE SCEPTILE, RIGHT?
WHAT GIVES?! IS THIS SOME STRATEGY OF HIS? HE'S SO CONFIDENT THAT USING SOMETHING HIS POKÉMON'S WEAK AGAINST DOESN'T BOTHER HIM AT ALL?
...HMPH. WHAT EVER!
BAM
YOU'RE ON! COME OUT, SCEPTILE!
HOLD IT!
HEY, YOU!! THE LIGHTING'S TOO DIM!! MIMI'S FACE WILL BE SHADOWED LIKE THIS!

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BATTLE PALACE PART 2

■ WHAT TRAINERS CAN DO WHEN CHALLENGING THE BATTLE PALACE ■

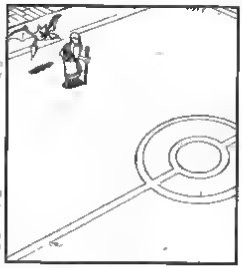
Since the Battle Palace is a place where Pokémon have to do battle by themselves, the trainers will only be allowed to carry out the following actions.

ANDING WATCH

...driving at the battleground, ... other will be required to leave ... Pokémon competing their three ... remain on hand behind and go to ... designated watcher's seat. They will ... be allowed to issue any ... commands to their Pokémon ... earlier, but they can watch the battle take place

REPLACEMENT

Although the trainers are unable to ... commands to their Pokémon, ... are allowed to change the ... of their party. After observing ... opponent's type and status effects, ... trainer wishes to replace a ... member of their team with another ... Pokémon, they will have to request for ... to the mismatchmaker that have been ... stalled in the watcher's area



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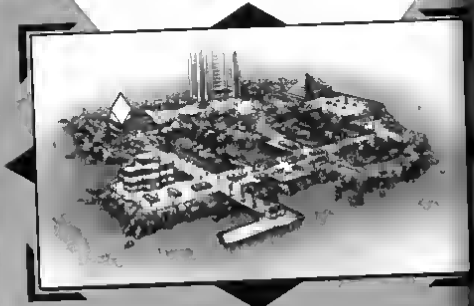
VS. SCEPTILE



POCKET MONSTER SPECIAL THE SIXTH CHAPTER EMERALD

THE WINNER OF THIS BATTLE DOME TOURNAMENT WILL GAIN THE TACTICS SYMBOL!
RIGHT NOW, EMERALD AND RUBY ARE BATTLING IT OUT IN ROUND ONE OF THE SEMI-FINALS!

OH, WOW!!
RUBY SURE IS TAKING THIS BATTLE SERIOUSLY!
I'M IMPRESSED!
ARE YOU IN A POSITION TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT OTHERS RIGHT NOW...?
THE SECOND ROUND OF THE SEMI FINALS WILL BE STARTING SOON!

...HAPPENS TO BE ONE OF MIMI'S ABILITIES!
IT'S BEEN PRETTY STURDY EVER SINCE IT WAS A FEEBAS. BUT WITH "MARVEL SCALE", ITS HIDE BECOMES AS TOUGH AS STEEL!
!!
THERE IT IS!
"RAISES ITS DEFENSE WHEN IT IS IN NEGATIVE STATUS"!!
I SEE! SO YOUR BATTLE TACTIC IS DEFENSIVE!!
BUT I'M NOT GONNA CHANGE MY STRATEGY BECAUSE OF THAT!
DON'T LET UP ON YOUR ATTACKS, SCEPTILE!!
WHOA...
EMERALD IS REALLY KEEN ON WINNING THIS, ISN'T HE?
IN THE BATTLE DOME, THE TRAINERS FIGHT USING TWO OUT OF THEIR THREE POKÉMON ON HAND.
THE BOTH OF THEM ARE NOW DOWN TO THEIR LAST POKÉMON, AND...
...WHOEVER DEFEATS THE OTHER HERE WILL MOVE ON TO THE FINALS!
HMPH!
HAH!
GRGH!! THAT CONCEITED LOOK ON YOUR FACE...
YOU'RE VERY CONFIDENT IN YOUR "DEFENSE" SKILLS, AREN'T YA?!
THAT'S RIGHT!! BELIEVE IN MIMI!
URGH!!
NOT THAT WHOLE "BELIEVE IN YOUR POKÉMON" MUSH AGAIN!!
I HATE THAT LOGIC!!
REALLY? WELL, I KNOW IT'S EMBARRASSING TO SAY IT OUT LOUD, BUT...
...IT'S NOT NECESSARILY A BAD THING, YOU KNOW.
MY MIMI IS ESPECIALLY SPECIAL!
WE WERE SEPARATED FROM EACH OTHER ONCE... I EVEN THOUGHT I'D NEVER GET TO SEE IT AGAIN! YET HERE WE ARE RIGHT NOW BATTLING SIDE BY SIDE...!

THAT'S WHY MIMI'S SO DEAR TO ME NOW!!
I GUESS IT'S TRUE WHAT THEY SAY! IF WE TRULY BELONG TO EACH OTHER, THEN NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES WE'RE SEPARATED, WE'LL ALWAYS BE TOGETHER IN THE END!
UHK...S-S-STOP IT... I'M DYING HERE!
WHAT IN THE WORLD ARE THOSE TWO DOING?
YEAH, THAT'S WHAT YOU KEEP SAYING... BUT YOU'RE PRETTY CLOSE WITH YOUR SCEPTILE TOO, YOU KNOW!
EH?!
..I GUESS YOU COULD CALL THIS ..FATE? OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT..
YEAH...
IT'S LIKE...

CUT IT OUT ALREADY!! ARE YA TRYING TO USE THAT TO GAIN AN ADVANTAGE OVER ME IN BATTLE?! YA DON'T FOOL ME ONE BIT!!
GET CLOSER TO THE OPPONENT!!
...AND WHEN YOU'RE CLOSE ENOUGH, USE "LEAF BLADE"!!!
SWISH
MM, THAT'S A SOUND STRATEGY.
...OR SHOULD I SAY, THE BEST COURSE OF ACTION.

HOW-EVER...
...IT WOULD ONLY HAVE WORKED IF SCEPTILE HAD MANAGED TO EXECUTE ITS MOVE...
...BEFORE PILOTIC UNLEASHED "BLIZZARD"
CRACK
CRACK
CRACK
SCEPTILE!!
CRACK
CRACK
CRACK
GRRR...
THE SCEPTILE'S BEEN "FROZEN"
IT WON'T BE EASY FOR IT TO GET ITSELF OUT OF THIS...
GRRR...
CRACK
CRACK

IF WE TRULY BELONG TO EACH OTHER...
THEN NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES WE ARE SEPARATED, WE'LL ALWAYS BE TOGETHER IN THE END!

SO MAKE SURE YOU GET ALONG, OKAY?

WELL, WE'RE IN QUITE A PICKLE HERE, LITTLE TAILLA...
IT WASN'T EASY FOR US TO ARRANGE FOR A MEETING WITH...
...THE TRAINER WHO WILL BE YOUR NEW OWNER...

HE'S THE BOY WHO IS REGISTERED HERE AS THE OWNER OF...
...THE THIRD POKéDEX...

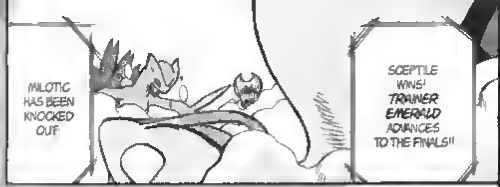
HIS NAME IS EMERALD.

ACCORDING TO PROFESSOR OAK, HE'S A REAL STRANGE KID...
...BUT HE'S STILL YOUR PARTNER NO MATTER WHAT TREECKO!

WHOOSH
SLASH
SWIRL
BRWWWWBL
BOOM

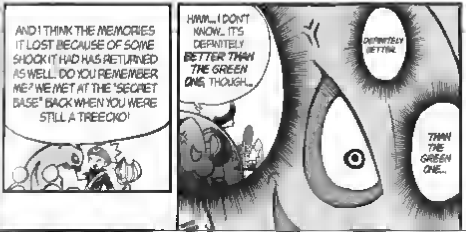
I'LL SLIP IT IN AMONG THE RENTAL POKÉMON AND THEN...
...SEND IT ON A RAMPAGE!!
RATTLE RATTLE
CHIK CHIK
MELLOW
SINCE IT'S NOT A RENTAL POKÉMON, SOMEONE MUST HAVE SLIPPED IT INSIDE THE BATTLE FACTORY!
LITTLE COTTOWN
THAT'S WHY I...
...RESCUED M!
THIS IS QUITE A FINE SPECIMEN...
...I SHOULD BE ABLE TO USE IT TO SCARE THE PESKY PRESS AWAY FROM THE BATTLE FRONTIER.

GLA
KE
CRACK
CRACK
SHAM SHAM


MILOTIC HAS BEEN KNOCKED OUT
SCEPTILE WINS! TRAINER EMERALD ADVANCES TO THE FINALS!!

THE SCEPTILE BROKE OUT OF ITS "FROZEN" STATUS BY ITSELF AND WON THE MATCH BY KNOCKING DOWN ITS OPPONENT WITH A CRUSHING "LEAF BLADE"!!
MY HUNCH WAS RIGHT AFTER ALL!

THAT SCEPTILE IS THE TREECKO YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO TRAIN!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE IT FOUND ITS WAY BACK TO ITS ORIGINAL OWNER!


AND I THINK THE MEMORIES IT LOST BECAUSE OF SOME SHOCK IT HAD HAS RETURNED AS WELL. DO YOU REMEMBER ME? WE MET AT THE "SECRET BASE" BACK WHEN YOU WERE STILL A TREECKO!
HMM... I DON'T KNOW... IT'S DEFINITELY BETTER THAN THE GREEN ONE, THOUGH...
DEFINITELY BETTER
THAN THE GREEN ONE...

BIG H
UWAAH-!! WHAT ARE YOU SO ANGRY ABOUT?!
"SIGH"... MAN, THAT WAS A GLORIOUS LOSS... THAT FRONTIER BRAIN GUY IS REALLY STRONG!
FLOP FLOP
THAT MEANS...
THE BATTLE DOME FINAL BETWEEN DOME ACE TUCKER AND EMERALD WILL TAKE PLACE AFTER A FIVE-MINUTE BREAK!!
GASHUNK
GASHUNK

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BATTLE PALACE PART 3

■CLASSIFICATION OF SKILLS■

In the Battle Palace, all skills are individually classified into categories. The following are the three categories they will be classified into.

ATTACK Skills like "Iron Tail" and "Ice Beam" which damage the opponents.

DEFENSE Skills like "Rest" and "Swords Dance" which increase the Pokémon's own stamina, abilities or cure them from a negative status.

SUPPORT Skills like "Toxic" and "Charm" which decrease the opponent's abilities or inflict them with a negative status.

Different Pokémon may have a easier to use certain skills due to their natural disposition. There is a passerby ten in the building west of the Palace, who is able to offer you hints by showing your Pokémon and telling you what those skills are.

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VS. CHARIZARD !

POCKET MONSTER SPECIAL THE SIXTH CHAPTER EMERALD

ATTENTION!! ALL VISITORS WHO ARE HERE TO WATCH THE MATCH IN THE BATTLE DOME
KINDLY FORM A LINE HERE PLEASE!
SWARM
SWARM
SWARM
PLEASE ENTER THE DOME IN A LOW AND ORDERLY MANNER.
GEEZ, WHY DO I HAVE TO DO THIS? I'M THE ARENA TYCOON, YOU KNOW...
...AND I'M THE PIKE QUEEN.
WE'RE BEING REDUCED TO MERE USHERS !!
THERE, THERE, YOU TWO.
ANABEL DECIDED THIS, SO...
IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY AS THE FRONTIER BRAINS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF THE VISITORS. SINCE WE DO NOT KNOW WHEN GUILE MIGHT ATTACK..

I KNOW THAT, BUT...
...WE NEVER EXPECTED THE TURNOUT TO BE THIS HUGE!

YOU GOT THAT RIGHT!! THAT'S WHY WE GOTTA MAKE SURE NOTHING BAD HAPPENS UNTIL THE OFFICIAL OPENING!
YEAH...
ALL RIGHT, ALL THE VISITORS HAVE BEEN USHERED TO THEIR SEATS. LET US GO CHEER TUCKER ON!!

LOOK AT IT THIS WAY... THIS SHOWS THAT ALL THESE PEOPLE HAVE HIGH HOPES FOR THE FRONTIER, DOESN'T IT?
TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT THE DOME

OH, THAT REMINDS ME. WE DID SOME INVESTIGATION ON OUR OWN WHILE YOU WERE TAKING CARE OF THE VISITORS...
DID YOU FIND ANY THING?!

YES
WE HAVE FOUND A WAY...

TUCKER'S SEMI-FINAL MATCH WAS SO IMPRESSIVE!
I HEARD THAT THINGS ARE DONE DIFFERENTLY IN THE OTHER FACILITIES!
OOH, TUCKER'S SO COOL~! HE CAN EVEN FLY IN MID-AIR!
THE OFFICIAL OPENING IS NEXT WEEK, HUH? I CAN'T WAIT!!
I'M DEFINITELY TAKING PART!
THOSE PEOPLE... EVERYONE SEEMS SO HAPPY...
IT REALLY MAKES ALL THE EFFORT WE'VE PUT IN SO FAR WORTHWHILE...

TO MEET THE WISH POKÉMON JIRACHI!
BEFORE THE ENEMY DOES!

THE FINAL MATCH BETWEEN FRONTIER BRAIN TUCKER AND CHALLENGER EMERALD SHALL NOW BEGIN!

YOU CAN DO IT, EMERALD !!
THE SYMBOL WILL BE YOURS IF YOU WIN THIS MATCH!!
FOR THE WIN!!

WHAT DO YOU THINK THE SEQUENCE OF THE OPPONENT'S POKÉMON WILL BE?
LET ME SEE... DOME ACE TUCKER HAS CHARIZARD, METAGROSS AND SALAMENCE ON HAND. HE'LL PROBABLY...

...USE SALAMENCE FIRST!

JUST THINKING BACK TO THAT MATCH MAKES ME SHUDDER...! I LOST TO THAT SALAMENCE ALONE! BUT THEN AGAIN I'VE NEVER REALLY BEEN ABLE TO HANDLE POKÉMON LIKE THAT..
YEAH... THAT MAKES THE TWO OF US...
HMM?
"THE TWO OF US"?! SO YOU DO REMEMBER, DON'T YA?!
DON'T PLAY DUMB WITH ME!
I'M NOT!!
WILL YA TWO QUIT FLIRTING !!
WHY ARE YOU GUYS BEHAVING LIKE YOU'RE MY SECONDS ANYWAY?
I DON'T REMEMBER ASKING ANY FAVORS FROM YA.
WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE WE CAN HELP IT YOU KNOW..
YEAH, I MEAN..

EVER SINCE WE FOUND OUT YOUR SCEPTILE WAS ACTUALLY FROM THE BIRCH RESEARCH LABORATORY, THOSE THREE HAVE BEEN STUCK LIKE GLUE...
SCEPTILE LOOKS ESPECIALLY HAPPY EMERALD... HE MUST MISS HOME A LOT!

...I WANNA CHANGE MY POKÉMON FOR THIS MATCH!!
I PICKED THE WRONG ONES!

...I CAN'T ALLOW THAT! CHANGING POKÉMON AT THIS POINT IN TIME IS JUST...!!
IT'S FINE, LET HIM! I DON'T MIND AT ALL!

AREN'T YOU HAPPY TO HAVE SUCH A CUTE POKÉMON ENDEAR ITSELF TO YOU? AND YOU'RE GONNA SHOW IT IN THE MATCH BY WINNING IT, RIGHT?
TIME-OUT, TIME-OUT!!

UMPIRE!!
?
I WANT THOSE TWO LOONIES BARRED FROM THE DOME! AND ALSO...

NOW YOU'RE TALKIN'! BE RIGHT BACK!
FLOP
SMOOSH

LEMME SEE... CONTACT CRYSTAL AND REQUEST FOR NEW POKÉMON... THERE!
I WANT THIS GUY, THIS GUY...
HEY, EMERALD! YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS ABOUT THIS!!

GET OUT!
BUT...
SMUSH!

I SAID GET OUT!!
FLING
CLONK
CLONK

CRISTAL'S TAKING SO LONG TO REPLY...
HELLO? HELLOOO...?

BOP BOP BOP

HMM, SHE JUST SENT THE POKEMON OVER, WITHOUT PICKING UP THE CALL... WHAT GIVES?

DON'T LOOK AT ME LIKE THAT. THIS IS A TOURNAMENT, AND I'M DOING THIS TO WIN!
THINGS LIKE FEELINGS AND BONDS DON'T MAKE A WINNING TEAM!
I CAN'T USE ALL OF YOU TO FIGHT A LOSING BATTLE!

IF I DID THAT...
...I'D BE INSULTING THE POKEMON...

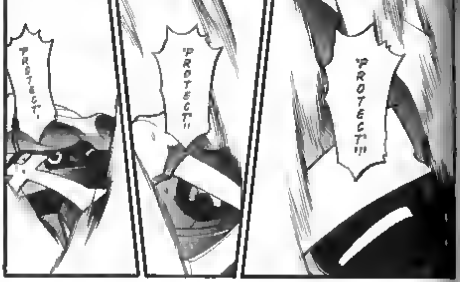
LET THE BATTLE BEGIN!
BOOM

IT'S THE ALAKAZAM THAT MADE IT TO SET NINE OF THE BATTLE PYRAMID!!
AND THIS TIME...!
A "THUNDER PUNCH"!!
ALAKAZAM CAN USE ALL THREE "THUNDER", FIRE AND ICE PUNCHES!
I CHOSE THIS PUNCH THAT ALL FLYING-TYPES ARE WEAK AGAINST!
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
IT'S WORKING REALLY WELL, EH?!
SMASH
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
IT WITHSTOOD OUR ATTACK AND IS NOW COUNTER-ATTACKING!! OH NO!
BUT IF THEY CAN ENDURE IT...
...SO CAN WE!!
IF WE CAN PULL THROUGH SOME-HOW...
...WE'LL BE ABLE TO DISH OUT ANOTHER "THUNDER-PUNCH"!!
FZOP
ALAKAZAM
THUD
THUD
THUD

A DOME BATTLE CHALLENGE IS FOUGHT BY CHOOSING TWO POKÉMON FROM THE THREE YOU HAVE ON HAND...
...TO LOSE JUST ONE POKÉMON WOULD MEAN A SLIM CHANCE OF WINNING..
NEXT!!
BOOM!!!
METAGROSS!!
OH DEAR, THIS PUTS EMERALD AT A FURTHER DISADVANTAGE...
DID HE MAKE A WRONG PREDICTION ON THE OPPONENT'S POKÉMON SEQUENCE?!
I MADE METAGROSS HOLD ON TO THE "QUICK CLAW" ITEM
IF WE CAN ATTACK FIRST... IF WE CAN EXECUTE A MOVE BEFORE THE OPPONENT DOES...!!
WHACK
"ROCK TOMB"!!

I DON'T THINK CHARIZARD CAN HOLD OUT...
!!!
NO WAY...!!
MY TURN!
ROOOOAR

"OVERHEAT"!!
BOOF
BOOF


"PROTECT!"
"PROTECT!!"
"PROTECT!!!"

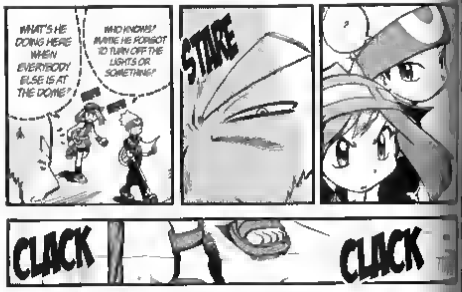
CHEEER

WE'VE BEEN BARRED FROM THE DOME...
YEAH.
IT REALLY IS DIFFICULT TO FORM AN ALLIANCE WITH THAT EMERALD, ISN'T IT...
SLIDE

SO... WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO NOW?
AT LEAST...
...WE KNOW FOR SURE THAT OPERATION "ENTER THE TOURNAMENT AND TRY TO GET ALONG AS FELLOW CHALLENGERS"...
WAS A HUGE FLOP

WELL, NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, WE'LL HAVE TO USE THE REMAINING TWO DAYS TO CHECK AROUND THE FRONTIER...
YEAH...
HMM?

WHAT'S THAT?
I THINK IT'S THE BATTLE PALACE! IT'S THE FACILITY EMERALD WILL BE CHALLENGING TOMORROW.
ISN'T THAT SPENSER, THE FRONTIER BRAIN OF THE BATTLE PALACE?
SOME-ONE'S THERE!


WHAT'S HE DOING HERE WHEN EVERYBODY ELSE IS AT THE DOME?
WHO KNOWS? MAYBE HE FORGOT TO TURN OFF THE LIGHTS OR SOMETHING?
STARE
CLACK
CLICK

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BATTLE TOWER PART 1

BATTLE MODE	POKEMON ALLOWED	OBTAINABLE SYMBOL	ENCOURAGEMENT FOR SYMBOL ACQUISITION
SINGLE DOUBLE MULTI	THREE	ABILITY	WIN 50 BATTLES WITHOUT PSYCHOGENIC GAS

...ge bu...ing in the north is the Battle Tower, an icon of the Frontier. It may be a familiar sight ... of you as it was already operating before the other facilities were added. This facility is ... the very epitome of Pokémon battles, so to speak, as there are no new rules or setups in the ... tower. In this place, you can simply test your techniques as a trainer and the strength of ... Pokémon to your satisfaction.

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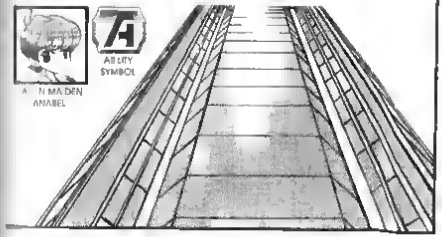
ANABEL

ABILITY SYMBOL



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VS. CHARIZARD II

YOUR NAME IS SAPPHIRE?
I CAN TELL THAT...
...YOU HAVE TOUCHED THE BLUE ORB! ONE OF TWO JEWELS THAT CAN...
...RESTRAIN AND CONTROL LEGENDARY POKEMON!
YOU... YOU COULD TELL BY JUST...
...LOOKING AT MY EYES?!

CHEER CHEER
ROOOAAAAR
THAT TUCKER'S REALLY INTO IT, AIN'T HE!
I NEED TO HAVE A MEETING WITH THE OWNER, SO...
...I'LL SEE YOU GUYS LATER!
SAY, NOLAN?... I KNOW YOU WANT TO CHEER FOR TUCKER, BUT SOMETHING'S BEEN WEIGHING ON MY MIND...
...EARLIER, YOU SAID YOU'D FOUND A WAY TO MEET JIRACHI BEFORE THE ENEMY... WHAT DID YOU MEAN BY THAT?

SPARKLE

IT IS A BEAUTIFUL SKILL... ALTHOUGH I'VE NEVER SEEN THE REAL JIRACHI BEFORE. IF IT USES "WISH", THERE'S BOUND TO BE A BRIGHT FLASH OF LIGHT MUCH LIKE WHAT WE'RE SEEING NOW.

THERE ARE A LOT OF SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS IN THE FRONTIER...
IF THERE IS A FLASH OF LIGHT OUT THERE, SOMEWHERE, WE'RE SURE TO BE NOTIFIED IMMEDIATELY!

MEANWHILE, WE'LL DO WHAT WE CAN IN ORDER TO LOCATE THIS LIGHT AS WELL!
YEAH!

THUMP
KOOSH
THUMP
EMERALD'S METAGROSS HAS BEEN KNOCKED OUT!
BOTH HIS POKÉMON ARE NO LONGER ABLE TO DO BATTLE! THEREFORE, THE WINNER OF THE FINALS...

...IS THE GREAT DOME ACE!!
TUCKER IS THE WINNER!!
I'VE... LOST...

CHEER
THAT WAS A GOOD BATTLE, EMERALD!
ALTHOUGH TACTICALLY SPEAKING, THE MORE TIMES YOU USE "PROTECT", THE LESS EFFICIENT IT BECOMES!
COME, LET'S SHAKE HANDS FOR A BATTLE WELL FOUGHT!
OH, AND IF YOU WISH TO CHALLENGE THE DOME AGAIN AFTER THE OFFICIAL OPENING, YOU COULD...
TRIN
OH DEAR, HE'S UNABLE TO SUPPRESS HIS RAGE AND FRUSTRATION AFTER TASTING DEFEAT FOR THE FIRST TIME...
I SUPPOSE THAT MUST BE IT...
OH WELL... TIME FOR ME TO JOIN MY COMRADES...
WHOOOSH
STRANGE!
POOF
FLARE
YIKES!
WHERE IS IT?
WHAT HAPPENED?! THAT WAS WEIRD EVEN FOR TUCKER...!
WE'VE GOT A SIGNAL ON THE LIGHT!
ITS LOCATION IS AT THE ROOFTOP OF THE BATTLE DOME!!

SO WHAT?!
SO WHAT IF I'VE TOUCHED THE BLUE JEWEL OR BLUE ORB OR WHATEVER YOU CALL IT? WHAT'S THAT GOT TO DO WITH THE FRONTIER BRAINS?
OR ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY IT'S RELATED TO WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE BATTLE FRONTIER THIS MOMENT?
...FANCY AN OLD MAN LIKE ME GETTING EXCITED OVER SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
...SINCE I'VE MET ONE OF MY KINDRED AFTER ALL...
...YOU CAN'T BLAME ME FOR GETTING ALL WORKED UP ABOUT IT...
HEH HEH...
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME...

THAT'LL DO, SAPPHIRE
I SEE, I SEE! WOW, YOU DON'T SAY!
THAT'S JUST SWELL. WELL WE SHOULD BE ON OUR WAY NOW!
COME ON, SAPPHIRE! LET'S GO!
YOU DID GREAT AT EXTENDING THE CONVERSATION!
HEH! I HAD A HUNCH YOU WERE UP TO SOMETHING...
I'VE RECORDED HIS CONVERSATION DOWN WITH THE LIGHTER OF HEAVEN.
THERE MUST BE A REASON BEHIND HIS STRANGE BEHAVIOR!
SHUFFLE
WE'LL BE ABLE TO EXPOSE HIS SECRET...
...OF INVESTIGATION THIS PLANET

THIS AFTERNOON I'M TAKING ON THE PALACE. THE TOWER WILL BE TOMORROW, AND I'LL CHALLENGE THE DOME AGAIN ON THE LAST DAY
THAT WAY, I'LL BE ABLE TO MAKE UP FOR THE FAILED CHALLENGES.
...VERY WELL.
FOLLOW ME.

RMMMBLRRMM
OUR BATTLE WILL GO UNSEEN BY THE PRESS AND VISITORS, BUT I, PALACE MAVEN SPENSER, PREFER IT THIS WAY
LET US BATTLE!

SLAAAAAM

SPARKLE
SPARKLE

SO AFTER RED AND BLUE COMES THE GREEN. WELL, WELL, TODAY IS CERTAINLY A BUSY DAY FOR ME!
I'M HERE TO CHALLENGE THE BATTLE PALACE!
WHY? OUR DUEL IS SUPPOSED TO TAKE PLACE TOMORROW
YEAH I KNOW, BUT MY PLANS HAVE BEEN UPSET

SWIRRRRR
SWIRRRRR
SWIRRRRR

IT'S JIMMY!!
AND GARY'S HERE TOO!
THE POKÉBALLS...

SHRA
CLICK

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BATTLE TOWER PART 2

■ ABOUT THE BATTLE MODES IN THE BATTLE TOWER

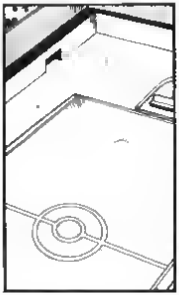
There are three types of battle modes in the Battle Tower.

(1) Single Battle
One-on-one single battle with three Pokémon. Frontier Brain Anabel only uses the Battle mode.

(2) Double Battle
Two-on-two double battle with four Pokémon.

(3) Multi Battle
Team up with other participants like "Pokémon Breeder" "Camper" "Mini-skirt" etc. to engage in a two-on-two Double battle. Each partner will participate with two Pokémon on hand, making up a total of four.

Besides the three battle modes described above, when the Frontier is officially opened "Wireless Multi Battle Mode" will also be available. You will be able to engage in double battles with trainers from other regions via wireless access with this mode, so don't miss it!



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VS. STARMIE

POCKET MONSTER SPECIAL THE SIXTH CHAPTER EMERALD

YOU STOLE MY RENTAL POKEMON AFTER YOU PULLED THAT SNEAK ATTACK ON ME!! YOU'LL PAY DEARLY FOR THAT!!
AHAHAHAHA! OH THAT'S RIGHT! I DID, DIDN'T I? YOU WERE SO WEAK I FORGOT ALL ABOUT YOU.
WHAT?!

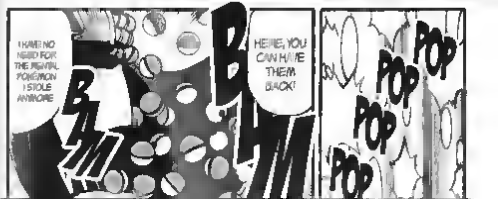
I'VE BEEN ABLE TO CARRY OUT MY PLANS SMOOTHLY BECAUSE OF THE MASSIVE AMOUNT OF RENTAL POKÉMON YOU GAVE ME THAT DAY...
I SUPPOSE I SHOULD THANK YOU FOR IT!
WHY, YOU!! DON'T THINK YOU CAN INSULT MY BUDDY AND GET AWAY WITH IT!!
BOOOOOM
BRANDON
SLIDE
THOSE SMEARGLE...
THEY WERE AT THE ARTIGAN CAVE TOO, WEREN'T THEY?
I SEE... NO WONDER YOU WERE ABLE TO CATCH UP WITH ME SO QUICKLY...
THOSE SMEARGLE HAD USED "SKETCH" TO REMEMBER JIRACHI'S "WISH" SKILL TWO DAYS AGO, HADN'T THEY?
WHEN JIRACHI USED "WISH" AGAIN JUST NOW, THE LIGHT THAT IT EMITTED BECAME LIKE A GUIDING BEACON TO YOU LOT...
SWARM-SWARM
YOU PEOPLE DO HAVE BRAINS AFTER ALL... HOW HEARTWARMING!
TOO BAD...
...JIRACHI HAS ALREADY FALLEN INTO MY HANDS!
FLOAT
IT'S TOO LATE...
...TO DO ANYTHING NOW!!
BOOO

SIZZLE
SIZZLE
UGH...!!

RUMBLE
RUMBLE
WHAT WAS THAT NOISE?!
OWNER SCOTT AND THE BRAINS DISAPPEARED ALL OF A SUDDEN...
W-WHAT'S THAT?!

OH NO! THE PRESS AND VISITORS ARE OUT IN THE OPEN!!
HMPH...
CHEER
CHEER
I NO LONGER NEED TO MOVE AROUND IN SECRET NOW...
...FOR WHEN JIRACHI GRANTS ME MY WISH...

...THIS BATTLE FRONTIER WILL DISAPPEAR...
...INTO THE DEPTHS OF THE GREAT OCEAN!!!


I HAVE NO NEED FOR THE RENTAL POKÉMON I STOLE ANYMORE
HERE, YOU CAN HAVE THEM BACK!
BAM
BAM
POP
POP
POP
POP

RUMBLE
RUMBLE

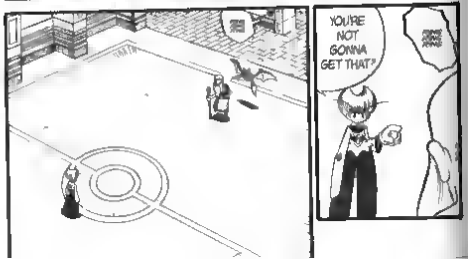
WHAM!
WHAM!

OH NO! THE VISITORS ARE IN DANGER!
DASH!
FWAH HAH HAH! SAVE YOUR STRENGTH! YOU'LL ALL BE SWALLOWED UP BY THE SEA SOON, ANYWAY!
COME, JIRACHI! I'LL TAKE YOU TO A MORE APPROPRIATE PLACE FOR WISH-GRANTING!

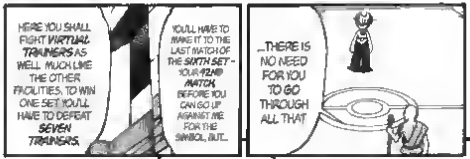
A "STAR" MUST BE WITH THE "SKY", AND SHINE IT MUST IN THE "NIGHT"!
AND THERE IS ONLY ONE PLACE IN THIS BATTLE FRONTIER THAT GETS ME CLOSEST TO THE "SKY"!
NOLAND! IS THERE NOTHING WE CAN DO?!
WE CAN'T JUST LET HIM TAKE JIRACHI LIKE THIS!!
NO, BRANDON! WE STILL HAVE A CHANCE!!
THAT LAST PAGE OF THE "JIRACHI REPORT" WE MANAGED TO DECIPHER!!

AH, THE PAGE THAT TALKS ABOUT "THE THIRD EYE"!
HE SAID HE'S GOING TO THE ONE PLACE HERE THAT IS CLOSEST TO THE SKY IN ORDER TO LET JIRACHI GRANT HIM HIS WISH... THAT MUST MEAN HE'S HEADED FOR THE ROOFTOP OF THE BATTLE TOWER!
BUT NOT ONCE IN THAT GUY'S OVERBEARING SPEECH DID HE MAKE ANY MENTION OF "THE THIRD EYE"!
IF THERE'S A CHANCE OUR ENEMY DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT THIS, THEN HE WON'T BE ABLE TO GET HIS WISH RIGHT AWAY!
ALRIGHT! NOLAND, YOU GO INFORM ANABEL AND SPENSER ABOUT THIS!
WE'LL PROTECT THE VISITORS!
ALL RIGHT!

STOMP
STOMP


YOU'RE NOT GONNA GET THAT?

NO.
ONCE THE DOORS TO THE PALACE ARE CLOSED, NO ONE IS ALLOWED TO RUIN THE MOOD.


HERE YOU SHALL FIGHT VIRTUAL TRAINERS AS WELL. MUCH LIKE THE OTHER FACILITIES, TO WIN ONE SET, YOU'LL HAVE TO DEFEAT SEVEN TRAINERS.
YOU'LL HAVE TO MAKE IT TO THE LAST MATCH OF THE SIXTH SET - YOUR FINAL MATCH, BEFORE YOU CAN GO UP AGAINST ME FOR THE SYMBOL, BUT...
...THERE IS NO NEED FOR YOU TO GO THROUGH ALL THAT

SO? WHAT'RE THE RULES THEN?
I GOT'TA KNOW THE RULES SO I CAN ASK CRISTAL TO SEND ME THE POKÉMON I NEED. JUST TELL ME ALREADY!
THE BATTLE PALACE TESTS YOU ON YOUR "SPIRIT".
THE POKÉMON THAT WILL BE USED...
HAVE TO BE "THE THREE POKÉMON THE TRAINER TRUSTS MOST"!
YOU CHOOSE YOUR POKÉMON ACCORDING TO THE RULES? HOW AMUSING!
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!

MY "SPIRIT"?!
THREE POKÉMON THAT I CAN TRUST?!
THAT'S RIGHT.
YOU ARE NOT PERMITTED TO GIVE COMMANDS TO YOUR POKÉMON DURING THEIR BATTLES HERE. INSTEAD, YOU ARE TO ENTRUST THEM TO CO (BATTLE) FOR YOU WHILE YOU WATCH FROM THE SIDE.
I'VE NEVER HEARD OF POKÉMON BATTLES LIKE THAT BEFORE! SO... DO I HAFTA CHOOSE THEIR SKILLS AND TELL 'EM WHEN THEY HAVE TO USE IT?!
NO. THE POKÉMON SHALL DO ONLY THIS FOR THEMSELVES.
I WILL...
...BE COUNTING ON THESE THREE!
BOOM!
BOOM!
YOU HAVE POKÉMON...
...THAT YOU CAN TRUST TOO, DON'T YOU? THE ONES YOU'VE USED OVER AND OVER AGAIN EVER SINCE COMING TO THE FRONTIER?
CLICK

HMM... THOSE THREE, HUH?
I SAW YOUR FIGHT AT THE BATTLE DOME...
BECAUSE YOU WEREN'T ABLE TO TRUST THEM...
...YOU CHOSE ANOTHER THREE POKÉMON FOR YOUR BATTLE AND LOST TO TUCKER BECAUSE OF IT
KYAA AAAA AAAA
DARN THAT BLASTED PHONE! WE CAN'T DO BATTLE LIKE THIS!
HELLO?
YES.
...I SEE

WHO IS IT?
IT'S THE FRONTIER BRAINS
GUILE HIDEOUT HAS APPEARED.
HE HAS CAPTURED JIRACHI AND IS NOW ON HIS WAY TO THE ROOF OF THE BATTLE TOWER!
WHAT.
DID YOU SAY?!
SPEAKING OF WHICH... DIDN'T SOMEONE SEND YOU HERE TO CAPTURE JIRACHI?
YIKES, THAT'S RIGHT!! I NEED TO GO TO THE TOWER RIGHT AWAY! SORRY, BUT LET'S BATTLE ANOT...
?!
ANOTHER DAY?
THAT WON'T BE NECESSARY
LIKE I SAID, IN THE PALACE, YOU HAVE TO "TRUST" YOUR POKÉMON TO DO BATTLE FOR YOU. ALL YOU NEED DO IS TO DESIGNATE THE POKÉMON THAT WILL BE TAKING PART...
...THAT WAY YOU CAN LEAVE THE CHOSEN POKÉMON BEHIND TO DO BATTLE WHILE YOU HEAD FOR THE BATTLE TOWER TO GET JIRACHI BACK.
THAT WAY WITH ONLY STRONG SOUL...
OF COURSE... THAT ALL DEPENDS ON WHETHER YOU HAVE "SPIRITED" ENOUGH TO TRUST YOUR POKÉMON...
...
I DUNNO...

...THIS IS ALL TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE, YKNOW?
AND YOU KNOW ME... I HATE IT WHEN PEOPLE SAY THINGS LIKE "TRUST YOUR POKÉMON" AND STUFF LIKE THAT... IT'S ALMOST LIKE IN PLANNED FOR THIS TO HAPPEN?
FEELS LIKE YOU'RE MAKING ME LEAVE MY POKÉMON BEHIND ON PURPOSE AND CHASING ME AWAY...
...WHO KNOWS? BUT WHETHER OR NOT IT'S TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE...
...PERHAPS IT WAS NECESSARY FOR THIS TO HAPPEN...
YOU'RE FREE TO INTERPRET IT ANY WAY YOU WANT.
...
OKAY THEN
BOOF
I'VE MADE UP MY MIND!
BOOF
BOOF
TURTLE
SUBO-WOOOO!
ZYGLOPS!
I'M COUNTING ON YOU GUYS TO CONQUER THE BATTLE PALACE FOR ME!
I'M GOING TO THE BATTLE TOWER TO GET JIRACHI BACK FROM GUILE!
ONCE YOU WIN AND OBTAIN THE SPIRITS SYMBOL, CATCH UP WITH ME!
I TRUST...
...YOU GUYS"

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BATTLE PALACE PART 3

■ABOUT THE BATTLE SALON■

You can search for a tag partner in a special place known as the "Battle Salon" when in Multi Mode. In this place, you will be able to find a congenial battle partner who shares your passion for challenges, so please make good use of it!

■ABOUT THE AWARDING OF TROPHIES■

If you defeat the Frontier Brain of the Tower, you will obtain a "Symbol" like the other facilities. However, there are other special awards to be won here as well. If you win 50 consecutive single battles, you will be awarded the "Silver Trophy", whereas if you win 100 consecutive single battles, you will be awarded the "Gold Trophy". The trophies will be presented to you personally by Scott, the owner of the Battle Frontier!

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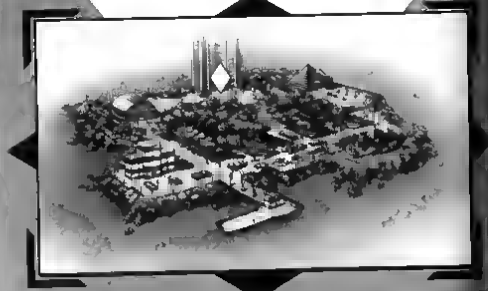
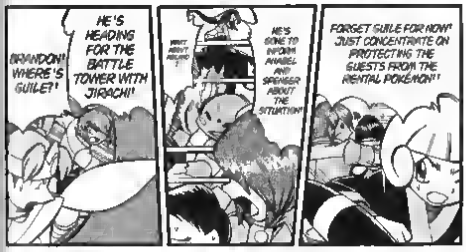
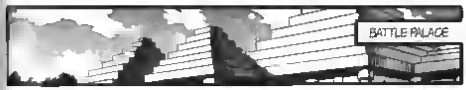
VS. LAPRAS




BRANDON! WHERE'S GUILE?!
HE'S HEADING FOR THE BATTLE TOWER WITH JIRACHI!
WAIT, ABOUT BRUNO...?
HE'S GONE TO INFORM ANABEL AND SPENCER ABOUT THE SITUATION!
FORGET GUILE FOR NOW! JUST CONCENTRATE ON PROTECTING THE GUESTS FROM THE RENTAL POKÉMON!!



WHOA!!
W-WHAT'S HAPPENING THERE?!
LET'S GO FIND OUT!
FLICKER
HOLD ON TIGHT!
WHOOSH
...WHY IS IT SO NOISY OUTSIDE?
ROOOR

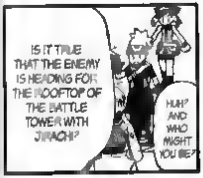
WHY...
...ISN'T ANABEL RESPONDING?!

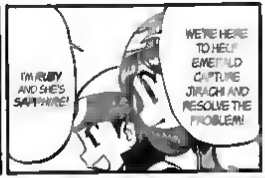
I'VE ALREADY TOLD SPENSER ABOUT THE SITUATION.
BUT...
WHAT'S HAPPENED TO HER?
COULD SHE'VE BEEN...?

LOOKS LIKE I'LL HAVE TO GO TO THE TOWER TO FIND THAT OUT FOR MYSELF!
WE HAVE TO PUT AN END TO THIS BEFORE NIGHTFALL ...!!

EMERALD!!
AH!! NO-LAND!!

HATS...


IS IT TRUE THAT THE ENEMY IS HEADING FOR THE ROOFTOP OF THE BATTLE TOWER WITH JIRACHI?
HUH? AND WHO MIGHT YOU BE?


I'M RUBY AND SHE'S SAPPHIRE!
WE'RE HERE TO HELP EMERALD CAPTURE JIRACHI AND RESOLVE THE PROBLEM!

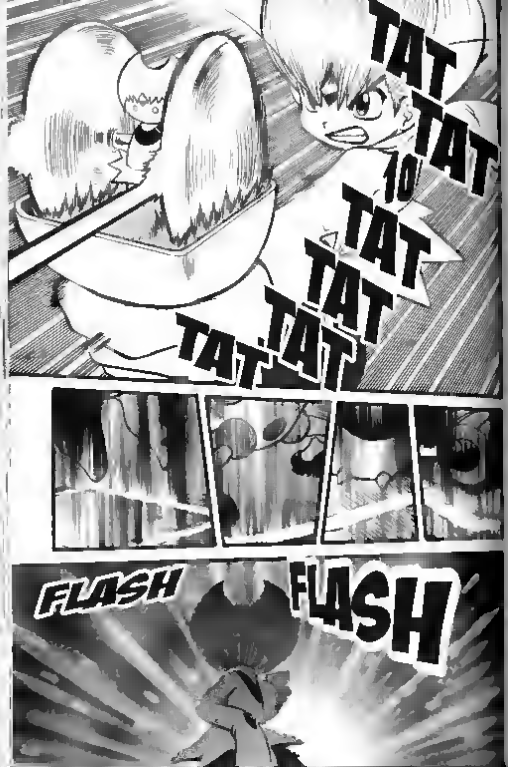
ALL THREE OF US ARE TRAINERS WHO HAVE BEEN ENTRUSTED WITH THE POKÉDEX!
WE'RE THE HOENN POKEDEX TRIO!!
HEY!! SINCE WHEN DID I BECOME PART OF YOUR TRIO?!

WELL, IF YOU DON'T LIKE THE SOUND OF "HOENN POKEDEX TRIO", HOW ABOUT "THE THREE CONQUERORS" THEN?
ER, EVEN WORSE!
TSK!

RUBY'S "CONQUERED ALL THE CONTESTS" IN HOENN BEFORE, WHILE I'VE "CONQUERED ALL THE GYMS"!
SO IF YOU CAN "CONQUER THE BATTLE FRONTIER"

...WE'LL BECOME THE THREE COMMANDERS!!
I DON'T CARE ABOUT THAT!!
I HAVE NO INTENTION OF HANGING OUT WITH YOU GUYS ANY MORE THAN NECESS...
RUSTLE RUSTLE
BAM
BAM
FWAGSSH
EH?!? WHAT THE...?!
IT'S THE RENTAL POKÉMON FROM MY FACILITY THAT GUILE'S RELEASED AROUND THE FRONTIER! I HADN'T EXPECTED THEM TO COME ALL THE WAY HERE...!!

EMERALD! WHERE ARE YOUR POKÉMON?!
THEY'RE ALL...
...BACK AT THE PALACE.
BUT THIS IS AN EMERGENCY, SO IS IT OKAY THAT I BORROW A FEW OF THESE RENTAL POKÉMON, NOLAND?
YEAH... THESE GUYS ARE BEING MANIPULATED BY THAT GUILE FELLA, RIGHT?
JUST LIKE THE WAY HE MANIPULATED MY SCEPTILE!!
HOW THEN...
CLACK
THE FEW...
...ONE MORE...
...THAT LOOK ESPECIALLY...


TAT
TAT
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FLASH
FLASH

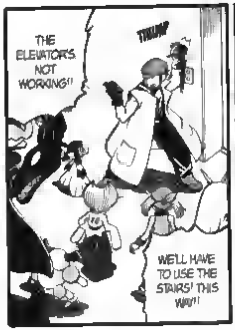
OH MY!
SNORLAX! MR. MIME! MANTINE! MAMILE!
FOLLOW ME
DA
SH
BANG

RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
EMERALD... SO YOU HAVE THE ABILITY TO CALM RAMPAGING POKéMON, I SEE...
VERY WELL.. I'LL BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO LEND YOU MY POKéMON!
SHORLAX...
MAWILE...
...AND MR. MIME ARE YOURS TO TAKE ALONG!
MAWILE WILL COME WITH ME! WE'LL TAKE THE ELEVATOR ALL THE WAY TO THE TOP FLOOR!

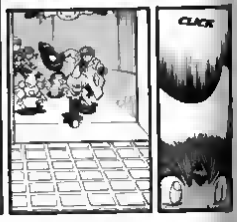
SO THOSE WORTHLESS TRASH...
ARE ALREADY HERE!!
THEY'VE MANAGED TO CATCH UP QUICKER THAN I THOUGHT...
GRIP
GRR.
JIRACHI!!
RETREAT
WHY DO YOU REFUSE TO GRANT ME MY WISH?!

TSK! I HAD NOT EXPECTED JIRACHI TO DISOBEY ME!!
IS THERE SOME KIND OF "PROCEDURE" I AM SUPPOSED TO FOLLOW...?

GRRR... NEVER MIND THAT! I'LL HAVE TO TRY TO BUY SOME TIME UNTIL I CAN FIND OUT WHAT EXACTLY IS MISSING...
AND YOU WILL HELP ME.


THE ELEVATOR'S NOT WORKING!!
THUMP
WE'LL HAVE TO USE THE STAIRS! THIS WAY!!

DASH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W-WHAT'S THIS?!
THIS IS... THE LIGHTING USED FOR POKÉMON MATCHES!!

THESE LIGHTS ONLY COME ON WHEN THE BATTLE TOWER IS GETTING READY TO TAKE ON A CHALLENGER!!
WHY SHOULD I...?
KOOM

BOOM!!

IT'S A VIRTUAL TRAINER AND A RENTAL POKÉMON!!
WHAT?!
THERE...

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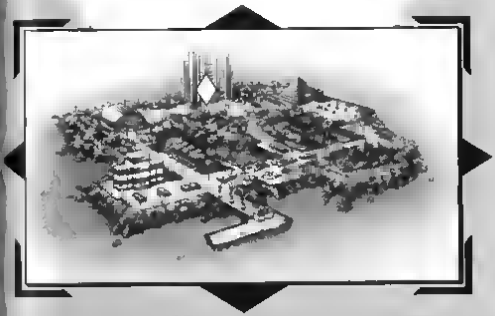
VS. GULPIN



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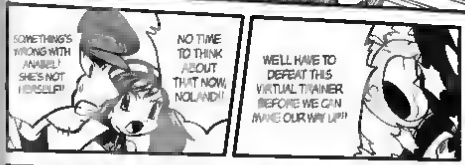
RUMBLE RUMBLE RUMBLE
ANABEL!
ANABEL, WAIT!!

ATTACK


SOMETHING'S WRONG WITH ANABEL! SHE'S NOT HERSELF!!
NO TIME TO THINK ABOUT THAT NOW, NOLAND!!
WE'LL HAVE TO DEFEAT THIS VIRTUAL TRAINER BEFORE WE CAN MAKE OUR WAY UP!!!

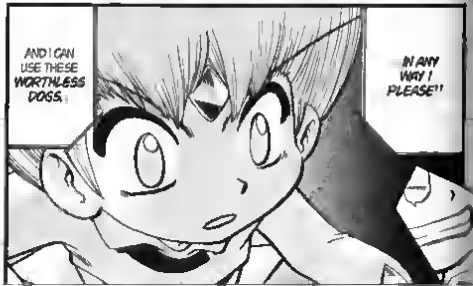
RIGHT!
SLAM
!!
BOOM
THIS FLOOR TOO?!

DON'T TELL ME...
...IT'S THE BATTLE TOWER CHALLENGE?!
AIM FOR THE TOP FLOOR WHILE DEFEATING VIRTUAL TRAINERS AT EVERY LEVEL!"
"ONCE YOU REACH THE TOP YOU'LL BE ABLE TO TAKE ON THE FRONTIER BRAIN ANABEL!"
THIS IS THE BATTLE SYSTEM OF THE TOWER!
ONLY ANABEL AND SCOTT HAVE THE ABILITY TO ACTIVATE THE VIRTUAL TRAINERS IN THIS FACILITY...
WHAT?!
THAT MEANS ANABEL MUST'VE...?!
BOOM
FWAH HAH HAH HAH!
INDEED!
GULP!
IT IS AS YOU HAVE GUESSED! I, GULIE HAVE TAKEN OVER THE BATTLE TOWER! IF YOU WANT TO REACH THE TOP, AS PER THE RULES OF THIS FACILITY...
...YOU'LL HAVE TO DEFEAT ALL 10 SETS OF SEVEN VIRTUAL TRAINERS!"
WHY, YOU!"
WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO ANABEL?! HOW DID YOU EVEN GET CLOSE TO HER?!
FU FU FU... DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN YOU LAST SAW ANABEL?
I NEED TO HAVE A MEETING WITH THE OWNER, SIR...
I'LL SEE YOU GUYS LATER!
HELLO, SCOTT? ARE YOU THERE?!
WHERE WAS I DURING THE DOME CHALLENGE
I WAS BUSY GETTING HOUNDED BY THE PRESS AND VISITORS!
WELL... I'M CURRENTLY BEING CHASED AROUND BY THE RENTAL POKEMON, THOUGH...
ANABEL? I HAVEN'T SEEN HER ALL DAY... WHOAAA!"

RI RI RI... DO YOU UNDERSTAND NOW?

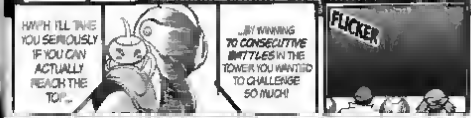
THE SCOTT YOU SAW BACK THEN...
...WAS A MERE ILLUSION CREATED BY AN ESPER-TYPE POKÉMON!!

YOU DESPICABLE VERMIN!!
FWAH HAH HAH!! THIS FEELS TOO GOOD!!
I MAY HAVE NO SUBORDINATES, BUT SO LONG AS THIS BATTLE TOWER IS UNDER MY CONTROL, I'LL HAVE ALL THE VIRTUAL TRAINERS AND RENTAL POKÉMON I WANT!


AND I CAN USE THESE WORTHLESS DOSS.
IN ANY WAY I PLEASE!!

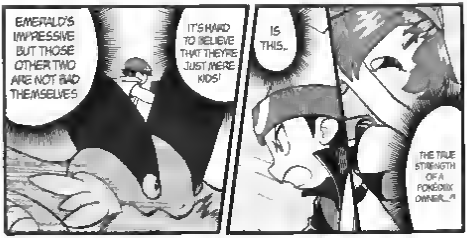
I WON'T...
...LET YOU...

I WON'T LET YOU...
...GET AWAY WITH THIS!!!


HMPH. I'LL TAKE YOU SERIOUSLY IF YOU CAN ACTUALLY REACH THE TOP...
...BY WINNING 70 CONSECUTIVE BATTLES IN THE TOWER YOU WANTED TO CHALLENGE SO MUCH!
FLICKER

DASH
EMERALD!
LOOKS LIKE...
...WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO BATTLE OUR WAY UP TO THE 70TH FLOOR!

IT'S DANGEROUS FOR US TO BE SPLITTING UP NOW, BUT WE DON'T HAVE THE LUXURY OF TIME ON OUR SIDE!
IF YOU SEE SOMEONE BATTLING ON ONE FLOOR, MOVE ON TO THE NEXT ONE! ONCE YOU'VE FINISH YOUR BATTLE, JUST KEEP GOING AND ADVANCING!!
GOT IT!
8F
11F
20F
45F
62F

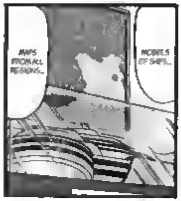

EMERALD'S IMPRESSIVE BUT THOSE OTHER TWO ARE NOT BAD THEMSELVES
IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THAT THEY'RE JUST MERE KIDS!
IS THIS...
THE TRUE STRENGTH OF A POKÉMON OWNER...?!

I HAVE TO ADVANCE QUICKLY AS WELL!
WAIT FOR ME ANABEL...!!

67F
68F
69F

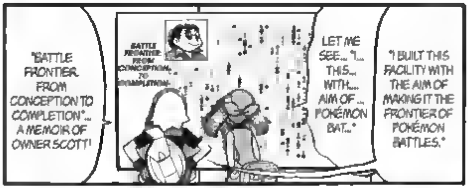
70!!
PHEW... WE'RE FINALLY AT THE 70TH FLOOR!
HUH? WE'RE THE ONLY ONES HERE? WHERE'S EMERALD AND NOLAND?
I DON'T KNOW... I'M NOT SURE WHERE I OVERTOOK THEM, OR WHERE THEY OVERTOOK ME...

"
WHAT'S THIS ROOM SUPPOSED TO BE?
IT'S...NOT A BATTLE-FIELD, RIGHT?"


MAPS FROM ALL REGIONS...
MODELS OF SHIPS...

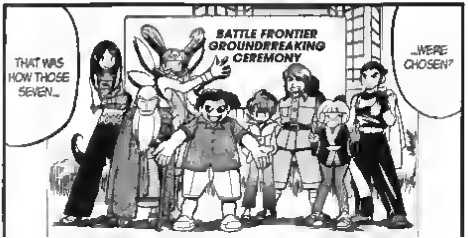
LOTS OF BOOKS, LITERATURE AND ANCIENT DOCUMENTS
OH, I SEE!

THIS ROOM MUST BE AN INFORMATION ARCHIVE!


"BATTLE FRONTIER FROM CONCEPTION TO COMPLETION"... A MEMOIR OF OWNER SCOTT!
BATTLE FRONTIER FROM CONCEPTION TO COMPLETION
LET ME SEE... "I... THIS... WITH.... AIM OF... POKÉMON BAT..."
"I BUILT THIS FACILITY WITH THE AIM OF MAKING IT THE FRONTIER OF POKÉMON BATTLES."

"HOWEVER, IT IS NOT THE BUILDING THAT TRULY MATTERS, BUT THE PEOPLE."
"I GAVE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE KIND OF PEOPLE I WOULD BE INSTALLING IN EACH FACILITY AS A FRONTIER BRAIN."

COME TO THINK, MY DAD ONCE MENTIONED...
...THAT SCOTT WENT AROUND ALL THE REGIONS LOOKING FOR STRONG TRAINERS WHEN HE WAS SELECTING POTENTIAL CANDIDATES FOR THE FRONTIER BRAINS...
HE EVEN CAME TO ASK DAD FOR SOME INFORMATION...


THAT WAS HOW THOSE SEVEN...
BATTLE FRONTIER GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY
...WERE CHOSEN?

YEAH. SO SCOTT MUST'VE COLLECTED A LOT OF INFORMATION ABOUT TRAINERS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD IN HIS SEARCH FOR THE FRONTIER BRAINS.
HMM...
AH!

IT'S A SECTION DEDICATED TO POKÉDEX OWNERS!!
I WONDER IF THEY'LL PUT US IN HERE ONE DAY TOO?
THAT'S RE. EMBAR. RASSING!
WHOA. THEY'VE EVEN GOT A STATUE ON TOP OF A BOOK...
SO... THESE GUYS ARE LIKE OUR SENIORS?

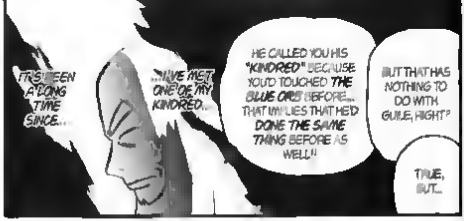
SLAAAAASH

IT'S COMING FROM THE NEXT ROOM!
DASH
SLAM

EMERALD!!

I KNEW IT!! HE GOT HERE BEFORE US!
AND HE'S ALREADY BATTLING AGAINST ANABEL!
BUT...
BAM
BAM
HIS POKEMON ARE IN NO CONDITION TO FIGHT ANYMORE! SHE'S JUST TORTURING THEM!
LET'S BACK HIM UP, RUBY!!
DON'T COME OVER!!
THIS MATCH IS BETWEEN ANABEL AND ME! STAY OUTTA IT!

SHASH!!
SHASH
ANABEL, STOP IT! IT'S TOO CRUEL!!
ANABEL ISN'T THE ONE DOING THIS SAPPHIRE!
THE MAN WHO'S MANIPULATING ANABEL...
...HE'S THE VICIOUS ONE!
I KNOW THAT!
WHO THE HECK IS HE ANYWAY?!
HOW COULD HE DO SUCH HORRIBLE THINGS WITHOUT BATTING AN EYELID?!
...
SIGH
THE LIGHTER OF MEMORY...!
RUBY... YOU'RE STILL SUSPICIOUS ABOUT FRONTIER BRAIN SPENSER?
YEAH...


IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE...
...I'VE MET ONE OF MY KINDRED...
HE CALLED YOU HIS "KINDRED" BECAUSE YOU'D TOUCHED THE BLUE ORB BEFORE... THAT WILLIES THAT HE'D DONE THE SAME THING BEFORE AS WELL!!
BUT THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH GUILE, RIGHT?
TRUE, BUT...

BAM!
EMERALD!!

UGH...
DARN IT.
STAND UP

STAND UP, RALD.
SCOFF
YOU HAVEN'T LOST YET
LATIOS...
I WAS ASKED TO PASS THESE TO YOU.
TOSS
TAKE THEM.

SCIZTLE!
SUDO-WOODO!
DUSCLOPS!
BUT THAT MEANS—
OH, AND THERE'S ONE MORE THING FROM THE BATTLE PALACE...
THE SPIRIT SYMBOL!
THESE THREE POKÉMON THAT YOU TRUSTED.
THEY HAVE CONQUERED THE BATTLE PALACE!!
YOU CAN STILL DO BATTLE WITH THOSE THREE ON HAND NOW, RIGHT?
YOU BET!
BOOM

I CAN STILL BATTLE. SO COME ON!!
WHOOSH
ANABEL !!
THUD
PATHETIC FOOL!
CLANK
HER BODY ISN'T ABLE TO WITHSTAND MY MANIPULATION. WHAT A WORTHLESS PIECE OF TRASH!
GUILE !!
STEP
THE GUY INSIDE THAT ARMOR...
IS IT REALLY SPENSER INSIDE?
I SEE THAT...

...THERE ARE A COUPLE OF PEOPLE WHO ARE SUSPICIOUS OF THE INNOCENT...
ALLOW ME TO SHOW YOU THE TRUTH.
LATIAS IS STILL AT THE BATTLE PALACE. I WILL SHOW YOU THROUGH TELEPATHY...
...WHAT SHE IS SEEING NOW
FWOOSH
THERE...
SPENSER!!
I'VE KEPT YOU ALL IN THE DARK ABOUT THIS BECAUSE EVEN THINKING ABOUT IT PILLS ME WITH SUCH ANGUISH, BUT...
...IT LOOKS LIKE I'LL HAVE TO REVEAL EVERYTHING IN ORDER TO RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM.

IT HAPPENED SOME TIME AGO...
ON THAT DAY, I HAD VISITED TWO OF MY FRIENDS AT MT. PYRE...
...WHERE THE RED AND BLUE ORBS WHICH MUST NEVER BE TOUCHED RESIDED.
WHEN MY TWO FRIENDS WERE AWAY...
...I WAS CAPTIVATED BY THE BEAUTY OF THOSE ORBS, AND INADVERTENTLY...
...I REACHED OUT AND TOUCHED THE BLUE ORB!
AND THEN...!

THIS TREMENDOUS POWER OVERWHELMED ME, SPREADING RIGHT THROUGH MY ARM, FROM MY FINGERS RIGHT UP TO MY SHOULDERS!
I BECAME FRANTIC, AND RELEASED THE ORB IMMEDIATELY.
BUT...
...AFTER THAT NIGHT, I KEPT HEARING MURMURS AND FEELING RIPPLES FROM WITHIN MY HEART.
I COULD NOT SLEEP... AND EVERY TIME I CLOSED MY EYES, I WOULD DREAM ABOUT A MASSIVE SEA MONSTER...
...AND MY EYES BEGAN TO GLOW WITH A FULL AND EERIE LIGHT...
A SEA... MONSTER?
THAT'S RIGHT...
I LATER FOUND OUT...
...THAT IT WAS ACTUALLY THE LEGENDARY POKÉMON OF HOENN...
...KYOGRE!

I BECAME LIKE THAT BECAUSE I HAD TOUCHED THE ORBS THAT MUST NEVER BE TOUCHED, AND I DEEPLY REGRETTED IT...
SINCE THEN, I'VE DEVOTED MYSELF TO TOUGHENING MY SPIRIT, HAVING COME TO KNOW OF THE WEAKNESS THAT LIES IN MY HEART. IT WAS HOW I CAME TO BE THE FRONTIER BRAIN OF "SPIRIT."

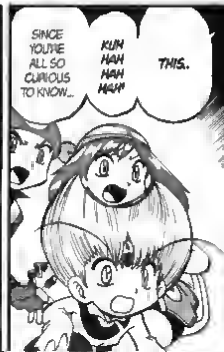
I HAD ONCE STEPPED INTO THE DARKNESS, EVEN IF IT WAS ONLY FOR A MERE MOMENT...
...THAT IS WHY I AM ABLE TO TELL IF SOMEONE HAS HAD CONTACT WITH THE ORBS BEFORE BY THAT GLOW IN THEIR EYES...
THAT GIRL IN BLUE JUST NOW, AS WELL AS...

YOU'RE NOT SAYING THAT...!!
ALTHOUGH I WAS QUITE UNCERTAIN AT ARTISAN CAVE, I AM *POSITIVE* OF THIS NOW.
THAT SAME DULL GLOW I SEE DEEP WITHIN THOSE EYES!!

GUILE HIDEOUT...
...YOU'RE NOT JUST A PERSON WHO HAS TOUCHED THE BLUE ORB BEFORE... YOU'VE ALLOWED ITS DARK POWERS TO SEEP INTO EVERY FIBER OF YOUR BEING!!

HMPH.
I HAD EXPECTED THIS FROM A FRONTIER BRAIN.

INDEED...! I ONCE HELD THIS TREASURE WITHIN THIS BODY OF MINE!
HAHA HAHA
I BECAME ONE WITH IT AND IT GRANTED ME *UNMEASURABLE POWER!* NOTHING WAS MORE EXHILARATING THAN THAT POWER RUSH IT GAVE ME!!
CRESH!


SINCE YOU'RE ALL SO CURIOUS TO KNOW...
KUH HAH HAH HAH
THIS.

...IS WHO I AM...!!
TO BE CONTINUED...